

# B.M.S. College of Engineering, Bengaluru-560019

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## September / October 2023 Supplementary Examinations

**Programme: B.E.**

**Branch: Civil Engineering**

**Course Code: 20CV6PESMA**

**Course: Structural Masonry**

**Semester: VI**

**Duration: 3 hrs.**

**Max Marks: 100**

- Instructions:**
1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each unit.
  2. Missing data, if any, may be suitably assumed.
  3. Use of **IS: 1905-1987** is permitted
  4. Use illustrative sketch when necessary to substantiate the answers

### UNIT - I

- 1 a) Describe clay brick, concrete block and soil cement block with regard to their strength resistant to atmospheric agents and modulus. **10**
- b) Describe straight cement sand mortar and composite mortar with reference to their properties. State their advantages and disadvantages. **10**

### UNIT - II

- 2 a) Describe the failure of masonry subjected to compression, dynamic load and lateral thrust. How can each be avoided? **10**
- b) Explain the factors which influence the compressive strength of masonry. **06**
- c) Describe platen effect in the compression test of masonry block. **04**

### UNIT - III

- 3 a) Explain briefly the laboratory procedure to obtain the brick mortar bond strength with an illustrative sketch. Evaluate the bond strength of a triplet test assuming a failure load of 3kN and the brick mortar contact area to be 90mm x 180 mm. **10**
- b) Explain the behavior of masonry under compression with a neat sketch. **06**
- c) Explain the effect of thickness of block and thickness of mortar on the strength of masonry. **04**

### UNIT - IV

- 4 a) Describe the necessity of providing reinforcement to masonry. Illustrate three types of providing reinforcement in masonry. **10**
- b) Describe with a neat sketch, the nature of stresses developed in a masonry dome. Describe the collapse of a masonry dome. **06**
- c) Describe the load transfer phenomenon in a masonry arch. **04**

**Important Note:** Completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages. Revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator will be treated as malpractice.

## UNIT - V

- 5 a) Explain the importance of slenderness ratio, area modification factor and basic compressive strength in the design of masonry. **06**
- b) Design a long wall of a room of internal dimensions 6m x 4m. The longer wall has a cantilever slab extension of 1.5m. Consider 3m clear height between floors and 4 storeys. Assume density of masonry = 20 kN/m<sup>3</sup> and that of RCC = 25 kN/m<sup>3</sup>. Thickness of RCC slab = 125mm, live load and floor finish for all floors = 2 kN/m<sup>2</sup> and 1 kN/m<sup>2</sup>. **14**

## OR

- 6 a) Explain the governing design criteria for a eccentrically loaded masonry wall. What steps should be adopted to avoid failure. **06**
- b) Design a free standing wall of length and height 4m each with a thickness of 230mm. It is provided with cross walls of thickness 230mm and width 460mm. Assume wind speed = 33 m/s and constants K<sub>1</sub>, K<sub>2</sub> and K<sub>3</sub> = 1 and density of masonry = 20 kN/m<sup>3</sup>. **14**

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