

FOUNDATION ENGINEERING (3-0-0)

Module: I

Lateral Earth Pressure and Retaining Structures: Concept of earth pressure, Earth pressure at rest, active and passive earth pressure for both cohesionless and cohesive soils, Earth pressure theories: Rankine's theory, Coulomb's Wedge theory, Graphical methods: Rebhan's and Culmann's graphical solutions, Stability conditions for retaining walls.

Bearing Capacity: Definitions, Rankine's analysis, Types of failures: General and local shear failure, Terzaghi's Analysis, Brinch-Hansen analysis, Meyerhof's analysis, Vesic's bearing capacity equation, Effect of water table on bearing capacity, IS code method for computing bearing capacity, Field Methods: Plate load test and its limitations, Standard penetration test.

Module: II

Shallow Foundations: Types of foundations: Spread footing, combined and strap footing, mat or raft footing, Settlement of footings.

Deep Foundations: Difference between shallow and deep foundations, Types of deep foundations. Pile Foundations: Types of piles, pile driving, load carrying capacity of piles- static and dynamic formulae, Pile load test and its limitations, correlation with penetration tests, Group action in piles- settlement and efficiency of pile groups in clay, negative skin friction, Under reamed pile foundation. Basics of well foundation - types, component parts and ideas about the forces acting on a well foundation.

Module: III

Subsoil Exploration: Necessity and planning for subsoil exploration, Methods - direct (test pits and trenches), indirect (sounding, penetration tests and geophysical methods). Soil sampling – types of samples, standard penetration test, static and dynamic cone penetration test, in-situ vane shear test, Rock coring, soil exploration report.

Rock Mechanics: Introduction, problems, defects in rock mass, joints, faults, folds, methods of geophysical prospecting, seismic and electrical method.

Reference Books:

1. Principles of Foundation Engineering by B. M. Das, Thomson/Cole, Cengage Learning
2. Geotechnical Engineering by S. K. Gulati & Monoj Gupta, Mc Graw Hill
3. Soil Mechanics and Foundations by Dr B. C. Punmia et al., Laxmi Publications (P) Ltd, New Delhi
4. Rock Mechanics for Engineers by B. P. Verma, Khanna Publishers
5. Geotechnical Engineering by C. Venkatramiah, New Age International Publishers, New Delhi
6. Basic and Applied Soil Mechanics by Gopal Ranjan and A. S. R. Rao, New Age International Publishers, New Delhi
7. Geotechnical Engineering by K L Arora