

**DETAILED SYLLABUS FOR THE POST OF ASSISTANT
ENGINEER (SOIL CONSERVATION) IN SOIL SURVEY AND SOIL
CONSERVATION**

(Category No. 696/2025)

(Total Marks – 100)

Module I

a) Mechanics of Solids and Structural Analysis (5 Marks)

Concept of stress and strain, Bending moment and shear force, Stresses in beams, Deflection of beams, Theory of columns, Truss analysis, Displacement response of statically determinate structural systems using energy methods, Principle of virtual work, Statically indeterminate structures, Strain Energy methods, Moving loads and influence lines, Arches. Slope Deflection Method, Moment Distribution Method, Clapeyrons Theorem (Three Moment Equation), Kani's method of analysis.

b) Fluid Mechanics and Water Resources Engineering (5 Marks)

Fluid Statics Fluid pressure, Buoyancy and floatation, Fluid Kinematics, Dynamics of fluid flow, Flow through orifice and notches, Flow through pipes, Boundary layer, Drag and Lift on immersed bodies. Hydraulic machines flow through vanes (moving and stationary) Impulse and reaction Turbines, Centrifugal Pumps, Open channel flow, Uniform flow, Hydraulic Jump, Gradually varied flow, Dimensional analysis and model testing. Hydrologic cycle, Precipitation, Infiltration and Evaporation measurement and data analysis. Runoff components and computation, Hydrograph, Unit Hydrograph and S Hydrograph. Irrigation types and methods Soil water plant relationships, Frequency of irrigation, Computation of crop water requirement. Stream flow measurement Staged discharge curve. Meandering of rivers, river training works. Surface water systems: diversion and storage systems, reservoir estimation of storage capacity and yield of reservoirs reservoir sedimentation useful life of reservoir. Groundwater Aquifer types and properties Steady radial flow into a well. Estimation of yield of an open well.

Module II

a) Surveying and Levelling, Quantity Surveying and Valuation - (5 Marks)

Basics of Surveying, Levelling and Contouring, Area and Volume Computation, Theodolite Survey, Mass Diagram, Triangulation, Theory of

Errors, Electronic Distance Measurement, Total Station Survey, Global Positioning Systems, Remote Sensing, Geographical Information System Analysis of rates Data book and schedule of rates, Analysis of rates for various items of work, Detailed specification. Types of Estimate. Detailed estimate including quantities, abstract and preparation of various items of works, Preparation of bar bending schedules for various RCC works. Valuation Methods of valuation, Depreciation, Fixation of rent.

b) Building materials, Construction Technology, Construction Management - 7 Marks

Construction Materials – Timber, Mortar, Iron and Steel, Structural steel, Modern materials. Concrete–Admixtures, Making of concrete, Properties of concrete, Mix proportioning. Building construction Foundations, Cost effective construction, Masonry, Lintels and arches. Floors and flooring, Roofs and roof coverings, Doors, windows and ventilators, Finishing works. Tall Buildings – Steel and Concrete frame, Prefabricated construction, Slip form construction. Vertical transportation – Stairs, Elevators, Escalators and Ramps. Building failures and Retrofitting, failures in RCC and Steel structures.

Construction Planning and Scheduling, Construction disputes and settlement, Ethics in Construction, Construction safety, Principles of materials management, Quality management practices, Construction procedures.

Module III - (a) Environmental Engineering - 7 Marks

Water sources and demand, Quantity estimation, Population forecasting, Quality of water. Water treatment Physical methods, Chemical methods. Design of sedimentation tank, flocculator, clariflocculator, filters, Membrane treatment techniques. Disinfection methods. Distribution of water, Pumps, Hardy Cross method of analysis Waste water Sources, Characteristics, Oxygen demand. Design of sewers, Circular sewers, Partial flow and full flow conditions. Sewer appurtenances, Disposal of wastewater, Streeter Phelps equation, Oxygen sag curve, Treatment methods, Aerobic and anaerobic methods, Design of various treatment units Screening, Grit chamber, Sedimentation tank, Activated Sludge process, Trickling filter, Rotating biological contactor, Septic tanks, Imhoff tanks, Oxidation ditches, Oxidation ponds, Upflow anaerobic sludge blanket reactors, Sludge digestion, Sludge drying bed. Air pollution sources, effects on human, Control of air pollutants, Air quality legislations.

b) Design of Structures - 7 Marks

Limit state method of design, Analysis of reinforced rectangular beams, Shear strength of RC beam, Design of shear reinforcement, Bond and development length, Curtailment of reinforcement, Design for torsion, Design of one way slab, Cantilever slab, Continuous slab (detailing only), Two way slabs, Limit state of serviceability, Deflection, Cracking, Stair cases design & detailing. Column effective length design of axially loaded short columns with rectangular ties and helical reinforcement.

Columns subjected to compression, Uniaxial bending and biaxial bending, Design of slender columns, Design of wall/strip footing design of footings, Design of cantilever retaining wall without surcharge, design principles of counter fort retaining wall, Circular slabs simply supported, fixed and partially fixed subjected to udl, Design of water tanks, Design philosophy

and requirements, joints, IS code recommendations, Prestressed concrete, Concept of prestressing, materials and methods of prestressing, Prestressing systems, losses of prestress, Analysis of prestressed beams (rectangular and Isections) at stages of transfer and service Steel and steel structures - Bolted and welded connections, Tension members, Compression members, Beams, Roof trusses, Purlins. Timber structurescolumns,composite beams (concepts only)

MODULE- IV a) Geotechnical Engineering - 7 Marks

Major soil deposits of India, Classification and three phase system of soil, Permeability of soils, Principle of effective stress, Shear characteristics of soil, Consolidation (Terzaghi's theory of onedimensional consolidation only) and Compaction.Stability of finite slopesSwedish Circle Method and Friction circle method,Stresses in subsoil due to loaded areas of various shapes, Boussinesq's formula,Newmark's chart Lateral earth pressureRankine's and Coulomb' theories Bearing capacity of soil, Estimation of magnitude of settlement, Site investigation, Standard Penetration Test and Plate load test, Design of shallow, deep and machine foundations, Ground improvement techniques.

b) Transportation Engineering and Urban Planning - 7 Marks

Classification and alignment of highways, Geometric design of highways, Properties and testing of pavement materials, CBR method of flexible pavement design, Construction and maintenance of pavements, Design of runways, taxiways and aprons. Traffic characteristicsTraffic studies and analysis, Traffic control devices. Airport characteristics Aircraft component parts. Site selection, Terminal area planning Airport marking and lighting. Traffic regulation rules, Highway capacity, Traffic safety, Influencing factors and preventive measures for traffic accidents, Basic diagrams of traffic flow theory. Railwaysgeometric design of tracks, railway operation control, Maintenance. Alignment, Ventilation and drainage of tunnels, Types of harbours and docks. Goals and objectives of planning; Components of planning, Regional planning,Theories of urbanization, Study of Urban Forms, Zoning, Development of new towns, Town Development Plan, Town planning acts.

Module V : Hydrology, Soil and Water Conservation Engineering (15 marks)

Hydrologic cycle, different elements of hydrologic cycle such as precipitation, interception, infiltration, runoff, evaporation. Point rainfall analysis, frequency analysis. Watershed: definition and concept, agricultural watersheds, prediction of peak runoff, factors affecting runoff, hydrograph, concepts of unit and instantaneous hydrographs. Hydrographs for other durations from unit hydrographs. Soil erosion:

types and factors associated with erosion, assessment of actual annual soil loss by erosion and its impact on agricultural production and productivity. Erosion control measures on various classes of lands i.e. contour cultivation, strip cropping, terracing, afforestation, pastures etc. contouring and terracing, earth work estimation. Role of vegetation in soil and water conservation, grassed water way and its design. Gully control measures: Design of gully control measures including permanent structures i.e. drop spillway, drop inlet spillway, chute spillway, stream bank erosion, mechanics of wind and water erosion, wind erosion control, water harvesting structures.

Module VI : Irrigation and Drainage Engineering (20 marks)

Land grading and layout. Estimation of cut and fill, least cost method. SoilWaterPlant relationship, water requirements of different crops and irrigation scheduling, direct and indirect methods of soil moisture measurements, measurements of irrigation water. Irrigation methods. Water conveyance and control. Surface irrigation methods. typical network of canal irrigation system and its different physical components. Determination of canal capacity. Canal alignment and consideration for alignment. irrigation efficiencies. Sprinkler irrigation, components, design of sprinkler system. Drip irrigation, components and design of drip system. Selection and design of pumpsets used in irrigation. aquifer parameters, hydraulics of wells, steady and unsteady flow, well log, well development. Agricultural drainage: Introduction, its purpose and benefits. Surface drainage, drainage coefficient, types of surface drainage systems, design of surface drains; subsurface drainage, purpose and benefits. Design parameters of drainage: hydraulic conductivity, drainable porosity, water table. Design and layout of surface and subsurface drains, depth and spacing of drains and drainage outlets, Hooghoudt's and Ernst's drain spacing equations. Pumps used in agricultural drainage.

Module VII : Farm Machinery and Power Engineering (10 marks)

Classification of Internal combustion (IC) engines terminology, Otto diesel cycle, engine components, Fuel supply system, Lubrication system, Cooling system and Governing system, steering system, hydraulic system. Types of tractors, brakes, power transmission system. Tillage, primary and secondary tillage equipment, Selection of sowing and planting equipment and their calibration, Selection and calibration of sprayers and dusters. Principles, selection and operation of harvesting and threshing machinery. Earth moving equipments, Cost analysis of farm machinery and equipment.

Module VIII (Agricultural Processing Engineering) (05 marks)

Various size reduction machinery and material handling equipments used in agricultural processing. Types of separation equipments based on size, shape and surface characteristics. Mode of heat transfer and types of heat exchangers. Psychometric chart and its application in drying. EMC and its determination, Principles of drying and drying equipments, Grains storage structures. Principles of food preservation and thermal processing.

NOTE: - It may be noted that apart from the topics detailed above, questions from other topics prescribed for the educational qualification of the post may also appear in the question paper. There is no undertaking that all the topics above may be covered in the question paper