

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING
B.E. 4/4 (Civil) I Semester (Main) Examination, December 2011
PRE-STRESSED CONCRETE (Elective – I)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 75

Note : Answer all questions from Part A. Answer any five questions from Part B.

PART – A**(25 Marks)**

1. Explain basic concept of prestressed concrete.
2. What are the grades of the steel used in PSC ?
3. How do you determine yield strength of H.T. Wires ?
4. How do you compute the loss of prestress due to curvature ?
5. What do you understand by “concordant” cable profile ?
6. What are the important differences between prestressed concrete and reinforced concrete ?
7. Explain the factors influencing the deflection.
8. Explain the computation of cable profiles.
9. What is Hoyer’s effect ?
10. What are the different ways of improving shear resistance by prestressing techniques ?

PART – B**(50 Marks)**

11. A prestressed concrete rectangular beam 300 mm × 600 mm is prestressed with a straight force of 1500 kN applied at an eccentricity of 100 mm which finally reduces to 1200 kN. The beam carries a line load of 6 kN/m over its full span of 12m. Determine the stress distribution at mid span
 - i) Under prestress + dead load
 - ii) Under prestress + dead load + live load and
 - iii) Under final conditions.
12. Calculate the depth of a post-tensioned PSC beam 250 mm wide designed to carry a live load of 10 kN/m over a span of 12 m. The stress on concrete must not exceed 17 N/mm² in compression or 1.4 N/mm² in tension at any time. Assume losses at 15%. Calculate the minimum prestressing force and its eccentricity.

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13. A post tensioned beam 200 mm wide and 300 mm deep is prestressed by wires of 7 mm diameter initially stressed to 1200 N/mm^2 with their centroids located 100 mm from the soffit. Find the maximum stress in concrete immediately after transfer allowing only for elastic shortening of concrete.
- If the concrete undergoes a further shortening due to creep and shrinkage while there is a relaxation of 5 percent of steel stress estimate the final percentage of stress on the wires. Using the Indian Standard Code (IS – 1343 – 1980) regulations and following data $E_s = 210 \text{ kN/mm}^2$ $\phi = 1.6$ total residual shrinkage strain = 3×10^{-4} . 10
14. A concrete beam having a rectangular section 100 mm wide and 300 mm deep is prestressed by a parabolic cable carrying an initial force of 240 kN. The cable has a eccentricity of 50 mm at the centre and is concentric at supports. If the span is 10 m and live load is 2 kN/m. Calculate the short term deflection at mid span. Assuming $E = 38 \text{ kN/mm}^2$ creep coefficient 2.0 and loss of prestress = 20% estimate the long time deflection at mid span. Assume that DL and LL are simultaneously applied after the release of prestress. 10
15. Explain the advantages of stress distribution in End blocks. Write the design procedure for the Guyon's method. 10
16. The support section of a PSC beam 100 mm wide and 250 mm deep is required to support an ultimate shear force of 120kN. The compressive prestress at the undersidal axis is 5 MPa. $f_{ck} = 50 \text{ MPa}$, $f_y = 415 \text{ MPa}$ concrete cover to shear reinforcement is 50 mm. Design suitable shear reinforcement at the section as per IS code. 10
17. Write short notes on the following :
- i) Long term and short term deflection. 5
 - ii) Concordant cable profiles. 5