

## LUNAR CIVIL INFRASTRUCTURE

Moon, its evolution in planetary system - Lunar Temperature and gravity conditions - Meteoroid impacts and its radioactive effects - Formation of Lunar craters and their distribution across the surface - Formation of Lunar regolith and its engg. Properties across the depth.

Moonquakes - Types and their intensities along with frequency of occurrence - Lunar crust - Its Natural Recourses (For alternative source of energy).

Mineral and chemical composition of lunar soil and its suitability for foundation designs based on static and dynamic properties - Lunar dust - Its formation and characteristics - "Space flight worthy" materials and their engg. Properties - Regolith modified building materials (*Futuristic proposals*).

Robotic engg. - Its applications in Civil Engg. constructional activities - Pavement designs on soft soils.

Radiation effects on building elements and design criteria for attenuation - Vacuum conditions on lunar surface - its criticality for human survival - Futuristic Moon colonization - pros and cons - its socio economic impacts on technology.

### Reference books:

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