

## NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY,

TIRUCHIRAPPALLI

# DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

COURSE PLAN – PART I				
Name of the programme and specialization	B.Tech. Civil Engineering			
Course Title	Geotechnical Engineering- I			
Course Code	CEPC 16	No. of Credits	3	
Course Code of Pre- requisite subject(s)	NIL			
Session	IV-Semester/Jan/2021	Section (if, applicable)	-	
Name of Faculty	Dr. Deendayal	Department	Civil Engineering	
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Course Type (please tick appropriately)	Core course	Elective co	urse	

## Syllabus (approved in BoS)

Historical development of Soil Engineering - Origin and general types of soils - soil structure, clay minerals-Three phase system- Identification and Classification of soils.

Soil water - capillary phenomena - concept of effective and neutral stresses – Permeability - determination of coefficient of permeability in the laboratory - Seepage flow - Head, gradient, pressure - steady state flow - two dimensional - flow net.

Vertical stress distribution in soil - Boussinesq and Westergaard's equation - Newmark's influence chart - principle, construction and use - Equivalent point load and other approximate methods - pressure bulb - Compaction.

Shear strength - Mohr-Coulomb failure criterion - shear strength tests – Different drainage conditions - Shear properties of cohesionless and cohesive soils - Use of Mohr's circle - relationship between principal stresses and shear parameters.

Compressibility and consolidation - Terzaghi's one dimensional consolidation theory - pressure void ratio relationship - preconsolidation pressure - Total settlement and time rate of settlement - coefficient of consolidation - curve fitting methods - Correction for construction time.



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## **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To explain how three phase system is used in soil and how are soil properties estimated using three phase system
- 2. To explain the role of water in soil behaviour and how soil stresses, permeability and quantity of seepage including flow net are estimated
- 3. To emphasise the importance of soil stress distribution and stress influence due to varies loads.
- 4. To explain how soil shear parameters are affected by drainage conditions
- 5. To estimate the magnitude and time-rate of settlement due to consolidation

#### MAPPING OF COs with POs

Course Outcomes	Programme Outcomes (PO) (Enter Numbers only)
<b>1.</b> Understand the importance of geotechnical engineering in civil engineering and do proper soil classification and the phase system to solve problems	1,2,3,4,6,7,8
<ol> <li>Solve any practice problems related to soil stresses estimation, permeability, seepage including flow net diagram.</li> </ol>	4,5,6,7,8,11,12
3. Do proper stress estimation under any system of foundation loads	4,7
<ol> <li>Estimate appropriate soil strength parameters with respect to the drainage conditions</li> </ol>	2,3,4,7
<b>5.</b> Solve any practical problems related to consolidation like consolidation settlement, time rate of settlement	2,3,4,5,7

### **COURSE PLAN – PART II**

#### COURSE OVERVIEW

The course elaborates various ground improvement techniques along with principles, design issues and construction procedures.

COURSE TEACHING AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES					
S.No.	Week	Торіс	Mode of Delivery		
1	Week 1	Historical development of Soil Engineering - Origin and general types of soils -	PPT & Virtual Mode		
2	Week 2	soil structure, clay minerals-Three phase system- Identification and Classification of soils.	PPT & Virtual Mode		
3	Week 3	Soil water - capillary phenomena - concept of effective and neutral stresses – Permeability - determination of coefficient of permeability in the laboratory -	PPT & Virtual Mode		



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4	Week 4	Seepage flow - Head, gradient, pressure - steady state flow - two dimensional - flow net.	PPT & Virtual Mode
5	Week 5	Assessment-1	
6	Week 6	Vertical stress distribution in soil - Boussinesq and Westergaard's equation	PPT & Virtual Mode
7	Week 7	Newmark's influence chart - principle, construction and use	PPT & Virtual Mode
8	Week 8	Equivalent point load and other approximate methods - pressure bulb - Compaction.	PPT & Virtual Mode
9	Week 9	Shear strength - Mohr-Coulomb failure criterion - shear strength tests – Different drainage conditions	PPT & Virtual Mode
10	Week 10	Shear properties of cohesionless and cohesive soils	PPT & Virtual Mode
11	Week 11	Use of Mohr's circle - relationship between principal stresses and shear parameters.	PPT & Virtual Mode
12	Week 12	Assessment-2	
13	Week 13	Compressibility and consolidation - Terzaghi's one dimensional consolidation theory	PPT & Virtual Mode
14	Week 14	pressure void ratio relationship - preconsolidation pressure - Total settlement and time rate of settlement	PPT & Virtual Mode
15	Week 15	- coefficient of consolidation - curve fitting methods - Correction for construction time.	PPT & Virtual Mode



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16	Week 16	Final Assessment			
COUR	SE ASSESSN	IENT ME	THODS		
S.No.	Mode Assessr	of nent	Week	Duration	% Weightage
1	Assessment-I		5 <sup>th</sup> Week	1/2 hour	20 marks
2	Assessm	ent-II	12 <sup>th</sup> Week	1/2 hour	20 marks
3	Assignmer PPTs	nts-5 & -1	Every 2 weeks	1 week time	6x5=30marks
	CPA-Compensation Assessment*		16 <sup>th</sup> week	1/2 hour	20 marks
5	Final Asses	sment *	16 <sup>th</sup> / 17 <sup>th</sup> week	2 hour	30 marks
6	6 <b>Total</b>				100 marks
*mand	atory; refer to	o guidelir	nes on page 6		I
ESSEN	ITIAL READII	NGS : Te	xtbooks, reference	books and journals	5.
<ul> <li>ESSENTIAL READINGS : Textbooks, reference books and journals.</li> <li>References: <ol> <li>Gopal Ranjan Rao, P. Basic and Applied Soil Mechanics, New Age International Pvt. Limited, New Delhi, 2002.</li> <li>Murthy, V.N.S., A text book of Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering, UBS</li> <li>Publishers Distributors Ltd., New Delhi, 1999</li> <li>Department of Civil Engineering, National Institute of Technology: Tiruchirappalli – 620 015</li> <li>P a g e</li> <li>Punmia, B.C. Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering, Laxmi Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 1995.</li> <li>Braja M. Das, Fundamentals of Geotechnical Engineering, Thomson Asia Pvt. Ltd., Singapore, 2005.</li> <li>Braja M. Das, Principles of Geotechnical Engineering, Thomson Asia Pvt. Ltd., Singapore, 2008.</li> <li>Robert D. Holtz, William D. Kovacs and Thomas C. Sheahan, An Introduction to Geotechnical Engineering, Pearson, 2013.</li> <li>Donald P. Coduto, Man-Chu Ronald Yeung and William A. Kitch, Geotechnical Engineering, Principles and Practices, PHI Learning Private</li> </ol> </li> </ul>					



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- 1. Class committee meetings.
- 2. Online Feedback forms submission through MIS.

**COURSE POLICY** (including compensation assessment to be specified)

• Minimum 75% attendance is compulsory for attending the final examination.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY** (A uniform attendance policy as specified below shall be followed)

- > At least 75% attendance in each course is mandatory.
- > A maximum of 10% shall be allowed under On Duty (OD) category.
- Students with less than 65% of attendance shall be prevented from writing the final assessment and shall be awarded 'V' grade.

## **ACADEMIC DISHONESTY & PLAGIARISM**

- Possessing a mobile phone, carrying bits of paper, talking to other students, copying from others during an assessment will be treated as punishable dishonesty.
- Zero mark to be awarded for the offenders. For copying from another student, both students get the same penalty of zero mark.
- The departmental disciplinary committee including the course faculty member, PAC chairperson and the HoD, as members shall verify the facts of the malpractice and award the punishment if the student is found guilty. The report shall be submitted to the Academic office.
- The above policy against academic dishonesty shall be applicable for all the programmes.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, IF ANY

The Course Coordinator's	Room No. Timings Email ID Telephone No.	: 101 (Civil- : 10 a.m. to : deendaya : 0431-250	Annex Building) 5 p.m. @nitt.edu -3170	
FOR APPROVAL				
Course Faculty	CC- Cha	airperson	Dr. Sunitha V	Cr. Hod HOD HOD Truckreppell - 620 915.



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## **Guidelines**

- a) The number of assessments for any theory course shall range from 4 to 6.
- b) Every theory course shall have a final assessment on the entire syllabus with at least 30% weightage.
- c) One compensation assessment for absentees in assessments (other than final assessment) is mandatory. Only genuine cases of absence shall be considered.
- d) The passing minimum shall be as per the regulations.

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35% or (Class average/2) whichever is greater.		(Peak/3) or (Class Average/2) whichever is lower		40%

- e) Attendance policy and the policy on academic dishonesty & plagiarism by students are uniform for all the courses.
- Absolute grading policy shall be incorporated if the number of students per course is less than 10.
- g) Necessary care shall be taken to ensure that the course plan is reasonable and is objective.