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EBC 2202: CIVIL ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION I

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION
SERIES: DECEMBER 2014
TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Answer any **THREE** questions of the **FIVE** questions

All questions carry equal marks

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

Use neat, large and well labeled diagrams where required.

This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages

Question One

- a) Using suitable sketches show the **TWO** main methods of anchoring sheet piles to rock. **(10 marks)**
- b) (i) State the **TWO** factors that influence types of cofferdam to be selected. **(10 marks)**
(ii) Outline the **THREE** main causes of failure of single wall cofferdams. **(10 marks)**

Question Two

- a) With the aid of a labeled sketch, describe a cantilever retaining wall. **(10 marks)**
- b) State the **FOUR** design principles of a retaining wall. **(6 marks)**
- c) State **FOUR** adverse effects of a ground water behind a retaining wall. **(4 marks)**

Question Three

- a) With the aid of a sketches, describe the following:
(i) Earth fill dams
(ii) Rock fill dams **(10 marks)**
- b) Briefly explain the following dewatering methods:
(i) Pumping
(ii) Freezing **(4 marks)**
- c) Sketch and label section through underpinning to walls. **(6 marks)**

Question Four

- a) Explain **FIVE** indicators of application of the labour based approach. **(10 marks)**
- b) With the aid of a labeled sketch, describe the operation of pneumatic caisson. **(10 marks)**

Question Five

- a) (i) State the **TWO** functional requirement of foundations
(ii) State the **THREE** situation that necessitate the use of raft foundations. **(6 marks)**
- b) State the **FOUR** factors upon which the selection of piling system relies **(4 marks)**
- c) With the aid of a labeled sketch, describe a cantilever wall. **(10 marks)**