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DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

IV Year – I Semester		L	T	P	C
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Geotechnical Engineering Lab					

Learning Objectives:

The objective of this course is:

- To determine the index properties for soil classification – Grain size distribution & Atterberg's limits.
 - To determine the engineering properties – Permeability, Compaction, consolidation, shear strength parameters & CBR value.
 - To find the degree of swelling by DFS test.
1. To impart knowledge of determination of index properties required for classification of soils.
 2. To teach how to determine compaction characteristics and consolidation behaviour from relevant lab tests; to determine permeability of soils.
 3. To teach how to determine shear parameters of soil through different laboratory tests.

Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, student will be able to

- a. Determine index properties of soil and classify them.
- b. Determine permeability of soils.
- c. Determine Compaction, Consolidation and shear strength characteristics.

SYLLABUS:

LIST OF EXPERIMENTS

1. Specific gravity, G
2. Atterberg's Limits.
3. Field density-Core cutter and Sand replacement methods
4. Grain size analysis by sieving
5. Permeability of soil - Constant and Variable head tests
6. Compaction test
7. Consolidation test (to be demonstrated)
8. Direct Shear test
9. Triaxial Compression test
10. Unconfined Compression test
11. Vane Shear test
12. Differential free swell (DFS)
13. Field Plate Load Test demo
14. Field CBR demo

At least **Eight** experiments shall be conducted.

LIST OF EQUIPMENT:

1. Casagrande's liquid limit apparatus.
2. Apparatus for plastic and shrinkage limits



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3. Field density apparatus for
 - a) Core cutter method
 - b) Sand replacement method
4. Set of sieves: 4.75mm, 2mm, 1mm, 0.6mm, 0.42mm, 0.3mm, 0.15mm, and 0.075mm.
5. Hydrometer
6. Permeability apparatus for
 - a) Constant head test
 - b) Variable head test
7. Universal auto compactor for I.S light and heavy compaction tests.
8. Shaking table, funnel for sand raining technique.
9. Apparatus for CBR test
10. 10 tons loading frame with proving rings of 0.5 tons and 5 tons capacity
11. One dimensional consolidation test apparatus with all accessories.
12. Triaxial cell with provision for accommodating 38 mm dia specimens.
13. Box shear test apparatus
14. Laboratory vane shear apparatus.
15. Hot air ovens (range of temperature 50⁰ - 150⁰C

References:

1. 'Determination of Soil Properties' by J. E. Bowles.
2. IS Code 2720 – relevant parts.