GEOLOGY FOR ENGINEERS

Course Learning Objectives:

The objective of this course is:

- To introduce the Engineering Geology as a subject in Civil Engineering.
- To enable the student to use subject in civil engineering applications.

Course Outcomes:

Upon the successful completion of this course, the students will be able to:

- Identify and classify the geological minerals.
- Measure the rock strengths of various rocks.
- Classify and measure the earthquake prone areas to practice the hazard zonation.
- Classify, monitor and measure the Landslides and subsidence.
- Prepares, analyses and interpret the Engineering Geologic maps
- Analyses the ground conditions through geophysical surveys.
- Test the geological material and ground to check the suitability of civil engineering project construction.
- Investigate the project site for mega/mini civil engineering projects. Site selection for mega engineering projects like Dams, Tunnels, disposal sites etc.,.

SYLLABUS

UNIT I

Introduction:

Branches of Geology Importance of Geology in Civil Engineering with case studies. Weathering: Weathering of rocks, Geological agents, weathering process of Rock, River process and their development.

UNIT II

Mineralogy and Petrology:

Definitions of mineral and rock, Different methods of study of mineral and rock, The study of physical properties of minerals and rocks for megascopic study for the following minerals and rocks, Common rock forming minerals are Feldspar, Quartz Group, Olivine, Augite, Hornblende, Mica Group, Asbestos, Talc, Chlorite, Kyanite, Garnet, Calcite and other ore forming minerals are Pyrite, Hematite, Magnetite, Chlorite, Galena, Pyrolusite, Graphite, Chromite, Magnetite And Bauxite. Classification, structures, textures and forms of Igneous rocks, Sedimentary rocks, Metamorphic rocks, and their megascopic study of granite varieties, (pink, gray, green). Pegmatite, Dolerite, Basalt etc., Shale, Sand Stone, Lime Stone, Laterite, Quartzite, Gneiss, Schist, Marble, Khondalite and Slate.

UNIT III

Structural Geology: Strike, Dip and Outcrop study of common geological structures associating with the rocks such as Folds, Faults, Joints and Unconformities- parts, types, mechanism and their importance in Civil Engineering. Laboratory tests to determine strength of rocks.

UNIT IV

Earthquakes And Land Slides:

Terminology, Classification, causes and effects, Shield areas and Seismic bells, Richter scale intensity, Precautions of building constructions in seismic areas. Classification of Landslides, Causes and Effects, measures to be taken prevent their occurrence at Landslides.

UNIT V

Ground Water:

Water table, Cone of depression, Geological controls of Ground Water Movement, Ground Water Exploration Techniques.

Geophysics: Importance of Geophysical methods, Classification, Principles of Geophysical study by Gravity method, Magnetic method, Electrical methods, Seismic methods, Radiometric method and Electrical resistivity, Seismic refraction methods and Engineering properties of rocks.

Geology Of Dams, Reservoirs And Tunnels:

Types and purpose of Dams, Geological considerations in the selection of a Dam site. Life of Reservoirs

Purpose of Tunneling, effects, Lining of Tunnels. Influence of Geology for successful Tunneling.

TEXT BOOKS:

- 1. 'Engineering Geology' by Subinoy Gangopadhay, Oxford University press.
- 2. 'Engineering Geology' by D. Venkat Reddy, Vikas Publishing House pvt. Ltd, 2013.
- 3. 'Engineering Geology' by N.ChennaKesavulu, Trinity Press (Laxmi Publications), 2nd Edition, 2014.
- 4. 'Engineering Geology' by Vasudev Kanithi, University Press.

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- 1. 'Engineering Geology for Civil Engineers' by P.C. Varghese, PHI learning pvt. Ltd.
- 2. 'Geology for Engineers and Environmental Society' by Alan EKehew, person publications, 3rd edition
- 3. 'Fundamentals of Engineering Geology' by P.G. Bell, B.S.P. Publications, 2012.
- 4. 'Engineering Geology' by V.Parthesarathi et al., Wiley Publications
- 5. 'Environmental Geology' by K.S. Valdiya, McGraw Hill Publications, 2nd ed.