

**DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/  
MANAGEMENT/COMMERCIAL PRACTICE, NOVEMBER - 2025**

**GROUND IMPROVEMENT TECHNIQUES**

[Maximum Marks:75]

[Time: 3 Hours]

**PART - A**

- I. Answer all the following questions in one word or one sentence. Each question carries 'one' marks.**

**( 9 x 1 = 9 Marks)**

Module Outcome Cognitive level

1	Determine the equipment having projecting studs on the surface of rollers.	M1.02	A
2	List the various surface compaction equipments.	M1.02	R
3	Choose a commonly available and relatively inexpensive aqueous solution.	M2.03	A
4	Define permeation.	M2.03	R
5	List the types of soil reinforcement materials.	M3.02	R
6	List the forms of soil reinforcement.	M3.02	R
7	Choose the two major groups in geosynthetics.	M3.04	A
8	List the uses of preloading in civil engineering works.	M4.04	R
9	List the types of vertical drains.	M4.04	R

**PART - B**

- II. Answer *any eight* questions from the following. Each question carries 'Three' marks.**

**( 8 x 3 = 24 Marks)**

Module Outcome Cognitive level

1	List the disadvantages of wellpoint systems with pumps.	M1.04	R
2	Illustrate the vacuum dewatering system.	M1.04	A
3	Draw the figure of permeation.	M2.03	A
4	Define groutability ratio.	M2.03	R
5	Draw the figure of compaction grouting.	M2.03	A
6	Sketch two-shot and one-shot methods of chemical grouting.	M2.03	A

7	List the major disadvantages of sheep foot rollers.	M1.02	R
8	Illustrate deep-well dewatering.	M1.04	A
9	List the applications of soil reinforcement in ground improvement.	M3.02	R
10	List the advantages of geodrains.	M4.04	R

### PART - C

Answer all the questions from the following. Each question carries ‘seven’ marks.

(6 x 7 = 42 Marks)

Module Outcome    Cognitive level

III.	Describe single-stage wellpoint installation by progressive system with a neat sketch.  <b>OR</b>	M1.04	U
IV.	Discuss about vibrating smooth-drum rollers.	M1.02	U
V.	List the various aqueous solutions. <b>OR</b>	M2.03	R
VI.	Report the applications of the various grout types: a) PFA,    b) cement,    c) clays    d) clay/cement    e) emulsions f) solutions, one shot,    g) solutions, two shot.	M2.04	U
VII.	Describe non-woven with a neat sketch. <b>OR</b>	M3.04	U
VIII.	Describe Geosynthetic nets.	M3.04	U
IX.	Discuss geometrical aspects of geosynthetics. <b>OR</b>	M3.04	U
X.	Describe the following properties of geosynthetics: a) Abrasion Resistance    b) Ultra Violet Resistance	M3.04	U
XI.	Illustrate the following. a) consolidometer    b) floating ring cell    c) fixed ring cell <b>OR</b>	M4.03	A
XII.	Discuss the advantages of preloading methods.	M4.04	U
XIII.	Explain sand drains construction by wash boring. <b>OR</b>	M4.04	U
XIV.	Explain cardboard drains with a neat sketch.	M4.04	U

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