

**ENSC-207: MINERAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY
(THEORY) (02 Credit hrs)**

PRE-REQUISITE: ENSC-

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- This course will provide an introduction to the Soil to the students.
- The students will learn about the Soil and Rock Mechanics.
- They will have the knowledge about the Geological and Engineering Classification of Soil..
- The students will get used to the design of foundation of Dams, Highways and Civil Structures.

CONTENTS

Unit-I: Sieve Analysis

- 1.1. Introduction and Definition of Soil
- 1.2. Function of Soil
- 1.3. Soil Profile
- 1.4. Soil Horizons
- 1.5. Compaction, Permeability and Capillarity of Soil
- 1.6. Stress and Stress Distribution of Soil, Consolidation and Consolidation Settlement.

Unit-II: Soil properties

- 2.1. Soil Colors
- 2.2. Soil Processes
- 2.3. Composition of Soils
- 2.4. Soil Formation
- 2.5. Shear Strength of Soil, Laboratory Measurements of Soil Properties,

Unit-III: Soil and its role

- 3.1. Soil Fertility
- 3.2. Physical Properties of Soil
- 3.3. Soil Moisture
- 3.4. Soil Gas
- 3.5. Bearing Capacity of Soils, Shallow and Pile Foundation

Unit-IV: Soil Chemistry

- 4.1. Soil Matrix
- 4.2. Soil Chemistry
- 4.3. Soil Nutrients
- 4.4. Soil Organic Matter
- 4.5. Soil Improvement, Embankment Dams, Dynamic Loading of Soil

Unit-V: Soil types and movement

- 5.1. Soil Classification
- 5.2. Soil Uses
- 5.3. Soil Degradation
- 5.4. Soil Reclamation
- 5.5. Environmental Geotechnology

Unit-VI: Soil pollution

- 6.1. Soil Pollution
- 6.2. Geological Classification of Soil
- 6.3. Soil Structure
- 6.4. Soil Texture

Unit-VII: Rocks and soils

- 7.1. Rocks as an Aggregates
- 7.2. Description and Classification of Aggregates
- 7.3. Occurrences and Associations of Sources,
- 7.4. Field Investigation of Deposits.

Unit-VIII: Soil aggregates

- 1.1. Extraction of Aggregates
- 1.2. Sampling and Testing of Aggregates
- 1.3. Aggregates for Concrete
- 1.4. Processing of Aggregates
- 1.5. Environmental Issues related to Aggregates

TEACHING – LEARNING STRATEGIES

- Lecture based examination
- Presentation/seminars
- Class discussion
- Quizzes

ASSIGNMENTS – TYPE AND NUMBER WITH CALENDAR

It is continuous assessment. The weightage of Assignments will be 25% before and after midterm assessment. It includes:

- classroom participation,
- attendance, assignments and presentation,
- homework
- attitude and behavior,
- hands-on-activities,
- short tests, quizzes etc.

ASSESSMENT AND EXAMINATIONS:

Sr. No.	Elements	Weightage	Details
1.	Mid Term Assessment	35%	It takes place at the mid-point of the semester
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3.	Final Assessment	40%	It takes place at the end of the semester. It is mostly in the form of a test, but owing to the nature of the course the teacher may assess their students based on term paper, research proposal development, field work and report writing etc.

RECOMMENDED TEXT BOOKS / SUGGESTED READINGS

1. Sani, G.(2021) *Recycled Aggregates; Materials and Uses*, Nova Science Publishers.
2. Kumar, R., Kumar, R., and Kumar, S. (2017) *Rock as Construction Material*, Haldia Institute of Technology, India.
3. Brady, N.C. and Weil, R.R. (2013) *The Nature and Properties of Soils*, Dorling Kindersley, 14th Edition, India, pp.1-194.
4. Reddy, R.N. (2010) *Soil Engineering: Testing, Design and Remediation*, Gene-Tech Books, New Delhi, pp.1-271.
5. Raj, P.P (2009) *Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering*, Dorling Kindersley, India, pp.1-797.

**ENSC-207: MINERAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY
(PRACTICAL) (01 Credit hrs)**

PRE-REQUISITE: ENSC-111

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- This course will provide an introduction to the Laboratory Test of Soil to the students.
- The students will learn about the Gradation and Density of the Soil.
- They will have the knowledge about the Engineering Test of Soil..
- The students will get used to the design of foundation of Dams, Highways and Civil Structures.

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Unit-I: Sieve Analysis of Soil

- 1.1. Definition and Apparatus of Sieve Analysis
- 1.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Sieve Analysis
- 1.3. Types of Gradation, Types of Sieves
- 1.4. Limitations of Sieve Analysis, Properties and Engineering Applications of Sieve Analysis

Unit-II: Moisture Content Test of Soil

- 2.1. Definition and Apparatus of Moisture Content Test
- 2.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Moisture Content Test
- 2.3. Measurements, Classification and Uses in Aggregates

Unit-III: Organic Content Test of Soil

- 3.1. Definition and Apparatus of Organic Content Test
- 3.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Organic Content Test
- 3.3. Soil Organic Matter, Sources, Composition of Vegetal Detritus Decomposition
- 3.4. Humus and Function in Carbon Cycling

Unit-IV: Specific Gravity and Water Absorption Test of Soil

- 4.1. Definition and Apparatus of Specific Gravity and Water Absorption Test
- 4.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Specific Gravity and Water Absorption Test

Unit-V: Liquid Limit Test of Soil

- 5.1. Definition and Apparatus of Liquid Limit Test
- 5.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Liquid Limit Test

Unit-VI: Plastic Limit Test of Soil

- 6.1. Definition and Apparatus of Plastic Limit Test
- 6.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Plastic Limit Test

Unit-VII: Modified AASHTO Soil Density Test

- 7.1. Definition and Apparatus of Modified AASHTO Soil Density Test
- 7.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Modified AASHTO Soil Density Test
- 7.3. History and Theory of Soil Compaction
- 7.4. Comparison of Tests, Alternative Compaction Testing

Unit-VIII: Sand Replacement Method

- 8.1. Definition and Apparatus of Sand Replacement Method
- 8.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Sand Replacement Method

Unit-IX: Core Cutter Method

- 9.1. Definition and Apparatus of Core Cutter Method
- 9.2. Procedure, Results, Methods of Core Cutter Method

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1. Mir, B.A.(2021) *Manual of Geotechnical Laboratory Soil Testing*, CRC Press, India.
2. Monnet, J. (2015) *In Situ Tests in Geotechnical Engineering*, Wiley, pp.1-398.