

# Railway & Bridge

## Question Set - 1

### INTRODUCTION to RAILWAY

#### \* Short Questions :

(2 marks)

- ① what do you mean by Gauge? State the different types of gauge used in India.
- ② Define sleeper density.
- ③ what do you mean by saddle plate?
- ④ Define points & crossing in Railways?
- ⑤ what do you understand by signalling?
- ⑥ what is coning of wheel?
- ⑦ Define cant. Also what is cant deficiency.
- ⑧ what do you mean by ballast & sleeper?
- ⑨ what do you mean by ballast crib?
- ⑩ Define Hauling capacity?

#### \* Short - Long Questions :

(5 Marks)

- ① Write Political Advantages of Railways.
- ② write Economical Advantages of Railways.
- ③ Explain the three classifications of Indian Railway.
- ④ Explain Points & crossing, Ruling gradient & coning of wheels.
- ⑤ Differentiate between Ballast and Ballast crib.

\* Long Questions

(10 marks)

① Explain the classification of Railways.  
Also state the advantages of Railways.

② Define the following terms:

(a) Point & crossing.

(b). Station yard

(c). Derailing switch.

(d). Sleepers crib.

(e). Turnout.

(f). Locomotive.

(g). Fish plates.

(h). Tongue & stock rails.

(i). Level crossing.

(j). Creep of Rails.

Question Set - 2

PERMANENT WAY

\* Short Questions

(2 Marks)

- ① Define gauge.
- ② Explain what is Permanent way?
- ③ State the types of gauges used in India.
- ④ What do you mean by uniformity of gauges?
- ⑤ Define coning of wheels.
- ⑥ State the elements in permanent way?
- ⑦ Mention the requirement of permanent way?
- ⑧ State the functions of permanent way?
- ⑨ What is the function of uniformity of gauges?
- ⑩ State two criteria for suitability of gauges.

\* Short - Long Questions

(5 marks)

- ① State all the criteria necessary to check the suitability of gauges.
- ② What are the advantages of uniformity of gauges?
- ③ What is the gauges used in India?  
What are the types of gauges available?
- ④ State the Requirements of permanent way?

## \* Long - Questions

(10 marks)

- ① what is permanent way, show it with a neat sketch? Also state the function & requirements of a permanent way.
- ②. what is Gauge? State the type of gauges? Also mention the advantages of uniformity of gauges.
- ③. Explain the criteria necessary for selection of the gauge.

### Question Set - 3

#### TRACK MATERIALS

##### \* Short Questions

(2 Marks)

- ① Define creep.
- ② State the types of Rails used in India.
- ③ What are various lengths of rails available?
- ④ ~~Types of ballast~~
- ⑤ Mention the different types of ballast used.
- ⑥ State the different types of Sleepers used.
- ⑦ What are the various causes of creep?
- ⑧ State the different types of joints (Rail) available.
- ⑨ Define fish plates & fish bolts.
- ⑩ State the Requirements of a good ballast.
- ⑪ State two effects of creep.

##### \* Short-Long Questions

(5 marks)

- ① Explain the requirements of an Ideal joints.
- ② Explain the per cent theory of creep.
- ③ State the advantages & disadvantages of wooden sleepers.
- ④ Differentiate between the flat footed & Bull headed rail section.
- ⑤ State the various functions of sleepers.
- ⑥ State the various requirements of rails.

\* Long Questions: (10 Marks)

- ① Explain the different types of rail joints with neat sketch.
- ② Write the advantages & disadvantages of concrete & composite sleepers.
- ③ Write short notes on:
  - (i). Creep.
  - (ii). Ballast.
  - (iii). Fixtures for rail Section.
  - (iv) Welding joint.

### Question Set - 4

### GEOMETRIC OF BROAD GAUGE

#### \* Short Questions

(2 marks)

- ① State the various gradients used in India
- ② Define per cent gradient.
- ③ What do you mean by cam?
- ④ What is grade separation?
- ⑤ Write maximum superelevation that can be provided on Broad gauge?
- ⑥ Write the value of grade separation on Broad gauge & meter gauge?
- ⑦ Define momentum gradient.
- ⑧ Define Ruling gradient.

#### \* Short-long Questions: (5 marks)

- ① Explain why is a gradient necessary in Railways?
- ② State the necessity of superelevation.
- ③ Draw the cross-section of BG in Embankment in two lanes?
- ④ Draw the cross-section of BG in cutting on single lane?
- ⑤ Differentiate between Ruling & momentum gradient?

\* Long Questions : (10 marks)

- ① Explain the geometry of track in cutting of two lane Broad gauge with a neat sketch.
- ② Explain the various gradients used in railways.  
③ Write short notes on:
  - (a). Grade compensation
  - (b). Super elevation.
  - (c). Gradient in station yard.

## Question Set 5

### POINTS & CROSSINGS

#### \* Short Questions : (2 marks)

- ①. what do you mean by turnout?
- ②. Define split switch.
- ③. Define points & crossing.
- ④. what is a square crossing?
- ⑤. State the various types of switches.
- ⑥. Mention the requirement of points & crossing.
- ⑦. Define Ramped crossing.
- ⑧. State the various types of crossings used in India.
- ⑨. what is a springing crossing?
- ⑩. State the types of points?

#### \* Short-Long Questions : (5 marks)

- ①. Define Point & crossing? state the necessity of points & crossing.
- ②. Draw a neat labeled sketch of Points & crossing?
- ③. Write short notes on turnouts?
- ④. Write the different types of one classification of switches & crossing?
- ⑤. Differentiate between acute & obtuse angle crossing?

\* Long Questions (10 marks)

- ① Explain crossing and its types with neat sketches.
- ② Define Points & Crossing, with a neat sketch. Also state its requirements.
- ③ Write short notes on:
  - (a). Points & Crossing
  - (b). Types of switches.
  - (c). Turnouts

### Question Set 6

#### MAINTENANCE OF TRACK

\* Short Questions :- (2 marks)

- ① what do you mean by Boxing of track?
- ② What do you mean by packing?
- ③ Define pumping joints.
- ④ what do you mean by Blewing of joints
- ⑤ what do yo understand by buckling of joints?
- ⑥ what do you mean by rolling stocks
- ⑦ Define level crossing.
- ⑧ what do you understand by Roaring rails?
- ⑨ State some of the methods involved in maintenance of rails.
- ⑩ State some of the surface defects of rails.

\* Short - Long Questions :- (5 Marks)

- ① State the necessity of maintenance of Railway.
- ② Mention the measures of maintenance of track alignment.
- ③ Mention the measures of maintenance of gauge.
- ④ mention the measures of maintenance of proper drainage.

⑤ Differentiate between "Daily maintenance & periodic maintenance?"

⑥ Differentiate between Through Packing and scissor packing.

\* Long Question (10 marks)

① Explain the various surface deflection of rail track.

② Explain the duties of PWT.

③ Write short notes on maintenance of:

(a). Tunnels

(b). Points & Crossing

(c) Rolling stock

### Question Set 7

\* Short Questions BRIDGE (2 marks)

- ① Define waterway.
- ② what do you mean by Afflux.
- ③ what is a superstructure & substructure?
- ④ what is the maximum length of culvert span of culvert & major bridge?
- ⑤ what do you mean by Economic span?
- ⑥ Define linear waterway.
- ⑦ what is a freeboard?
- ⑧ mention the classification of bridge based on function?
- ⑨ what do you mean by a semi-Through bridge?
- ⑩ Mention the classification of bridge based on method of connection?

\* Long short Questions (5 Marks)

- ① what do is a bridge? Also define abutment, pier & Embankment?
- ② State the requirements of ideal bridge.
- ③ Draw a flowchart showing the classification of bridge?
- ④ Differentiate between Road bridge & Railway bridge?

⑤ Differentiate between a culvert & a bridge?

\* long Question : (10 marks)

① Explain the various bridge classification based on superstructure, and material of construction?

② Explain the components of a bridge with a neat sketch showing the components), Also define them.

③ Write short notes on:-

(a). Through bridge

(b). movable bridge

(c). culvert

(d) skew bridge.

## Question Set 8

### BRIDGE SITE INVESTIGATION

#### \* Short Questions

(2 Marks)

- ① what do you mean by a Viaduct?
- ② Define Free board.
- ③ State the types of bridge alignment?
- ④ what do you mean by economic span?
- ⑤ State four criteria to be considered for the selection of bridge site?
- ⑥ State the data required for design of alignment of bridge?
- ⑦ what is standard clearance to be provided above HFL?
- ⑧ Define skew bridge?
- ⑨ State the necessary data required for design of superstructure data?
- ⑩ State the necessary data required for design of foundation?

#### \* Short-Long Questions

(5 Marks)

- ① what is the essential information required to be collected for the design of the bridge?
- ② State the various criteria essential for the selection of site?
- ③ Explain the various types of bridge alignments?

- (4) What is flood discharge? Explain  
state the various methods available  
for determination of flood discharge?
- (5) Explain sub-surface investigation?

\* Long Questions : (10 marks)

- (1) Discuss briefly the characteristics of an ideal bridge. Also state the site selection criteria.
- (2) Explain briefly the data collected for the design of bridge.
- (3) Write short notes on:
- (a). Sub surface investigation
  - (b). Flood discharge
  - (c). Economic Span
  - (d). Bridge alignment

### Question Set - 9

#### BRIDGE FOUNDATION

\* Short Questions :- (2 marks)

- ① what do you mean by a cofferdam?
- ② Define open caisson.
- ③ what Define pile & pier.
- ④ what do you mean by scouring?
- ⑤ what is a batter pile and where is it used?
- ⑥ what do you understand by end bearing pile?
- ⑦ State the various types of foundations used as bridge foundations?
- ⑧ what do you mean by an open foundation?
- ⑨ Explain what is a caisson?
- ⑩ Write the different types of caissons?

\* Short long Questions :- (5 marks)

- ① Explain the process of pile driving?
- ② Give a brief description of well foundation?
- ③ Explain the process of sinking of wells?
- ④ what are various types of pile used as bridge pile foundation?
- ⑤ Give a brief description of cofferdams?

⑥ Explain the function of pile frame & pile hammer!

\* Long Questions

(10 marks)

① what are the different types of foundations used as bridge foundation? Explain with a neat sketch.

② What is pile foundation? Explain pile driving, hammer & frame?

③ Write short notes on:-

- (a) cofferdam
- (b). caisson
- (c), Pneumatic caisson
- (d). sinking of wells.
- (e). scouring.

## Question Set-10

### BRIDGE SUBSTRUCTURE & APPROACHES

\* Short Questions: (2 marks)

- ① Define Trussle piers.
- ② what do you mean by Abutments?
- ③ what do you understand by wing wall?
- ④ Define what is Arch abutment?
- ⑤ State the different types of wing walls?
- ⑥ what is the main purpose of splayed wing wall?
- ⑦ Explain what is an approach?
- ⑧ what is the major disadvantage of Tee - abutment?
- ⑨ State the grade of RCC used for pier?
- ⑩ State the main purpose of multiple bent?

\* Short-Long Questions:

- ①. State the types of approaches available?
- ②. Differentiate between splayed wingwall and Return wing wall?
- ③. Differentiate between pile Bent & cylindrical piers?
- ④. Explain briefly solid piers?
- ⑤. Differentiate between multiple bent & Trussle piers?

\* Long Questions (10 marks)

- ① What is the purpose of wing wall? Give a brief description of the types of wing walls with neat sketch?
- ② State the conditions in which the open piers are used? Also explain the types of open piers with a neat sketch?
- ③ Write short notes on :
  - (a). Abutments
  - (b). Wing walls
  - (c). Approaches.

### Question Set - 11

#### PERMANENT BRIDGES

##### \* Short Questions

(2 marks)

- ① what do you mean by Box girder?
- ② State the functions of movable bridge?
- ③ State two advantages of composite bridges?
- ④ what do you mean by IRC class AA?
- ⑤ what is the major advantage of a prestressed concrete structure?
- ⑥ what are the various types of cantilever bridges.
- ⑦ State the different types of masonry bridges?
- ⑧ what are the different shapes of solid piers?
- ⑨ what is a cable stayed bridge?
- ⑩ when is a suspension bridge adopted?

##### \* Short - long Questions

(5 marks)

- ① Give a brief description of masonry bridges?
- ② State the advantages of steel bridges?
- ③ Explain the standard IRC loading criteria?

- (4) Explain briefly what is prestressed concrete bridges?
- (5) State the major advantages of composite bridges?
- (6) Differentiate between continuous bridge & balanced cantilever bridge?

\* Long Questions (10 marks)

- (1) State the various types of steel bridges? Also explain one with a neat sketch.
- (2) Give a brief description of the types of RCC bridges, with labeled diagrams?
- (3) Write short notes on:
  - (a). Prestressed concrete Bridges
  - (b). Movable steel bridges
  - (c). cable stayed bridge
  - (d) Box girder
- (4) Explain the types of loading for which the bridge is designed.

## Question Set - 12

### CULVERT & CAUSEWAYS

#### \* Short Questions :

- ① what do you mean by -a causeway?
- ② State the criteria for using a culvert?
- ③ Mention the types of causeways?
- ④ Mention the different types of culverts?
- ⑤ If a culvert is designed for \_\_\_\_\_ loading, it shall also be checked for \_\_\_\_\_ loading.
- ⑥ State the various types of IRC loadings?
- ⑦ What is the main purpose of providing a ~~dwarf~~ dwarf wall?
- ⑧ what is the maximum height & number of openings in a box culvert?
- ⑨ what do you mean by a culvert?
- ⑩ what do you mean by an Irish bridge?

#### \* Short long Questions :-

- ① Differentiate between low level causeway and high level causeway?
- ② Differentiate between box culvert & pipe culvert?
- ③ Differentiate between Culvert & a causeway?

④ Differentiate between Arch culvert & Slab culvert?

⑤ Draw a neat labelled sketch of -a Pipe culvert & a box culvert?

(10 marks)

\* long Questions

① Explain what is -a culvert. how is it different from bridge? Also give a brief about its types.

② what is -a causeway? Explain the types of causeways?

③ write a short notes on :

(a). Slab culvert

(b). low level causeway.

(c). high level causeway.

(d). Pipe culvert.