

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY**M.E Sem-I Regular Examination January / February 2011****Subject code: 711506N****Subject Name: Basic of Reinforced Concrete and Masonry Construction****Date: 04 /02 /2011****Time: 02.30 pm – 05.00 pm****Total Marks: 70****Instructions:**

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

- Q 1** (a) State the general characteristics of concrete ingredients that influence the properties of fresh and hardened concrete. **07**
(b) Write down the steps of IS method of mix design and compare the changes as per IS-10262(2009). **07**

- Q 2** (a) Discuss briefly role of aggregates in preparation of strong and durable concrete. **07**
(b) What precautions are to be taken during mixing and transportation process of concrete? Discuss the adverse effects that occur due to improper mixing or placing. **07**

OR

- (b) Compare the role of angular and rounded aggregates in manufacturing good concrete **07**

- Q3** (a) Formwork can have a major role when non plaster concrete of good exterior look is required. Discuss the requirements. **07**
(b) Explain the need for self compacting concrete and give its advantages over normal concrete. **07**

OR

- Q 3** (a) State the types of steel to be used as construction material. Mention the standards and test required for the same. **07**
(b) Give reasons: Damage assessment of structural elements is essential before deciding the strategy for repair and rehabilitation. **07**

- Q 4** (a) What do you understand by the term smart concrete? Give its benefits. Explain how it participates in arresting cracks. **07**
(b) How does fly ash concrete help in reducing carbon footprints? Discuss the role of fly ash in the green concrete movement. **07**

OR

- Q 4** (a) Give an overview about cube tests and acceptance criteria in concrete. **07**
(b) Enlist the various repairing materials and repairing techniques that are used for distressed structures. **07**

- Q 5** (a) State the steps for brick masonry design with a suitable example. **07**
(b) Explain the test stating its significance (any two): Compressive strength of cement or ultrasonic pulse velocity test or sieve analysis of aggregate **07**

OR

- Q 5** (a) Enlist various techniques used for curing of concrete and explain any one in detail. **07**
(b) Write short note on admixtures used as plasticizers **07**
