

# **Important Engineering Question and Answer**

## **Question 1**

What are the different types of slumps of concrete?

- ⇒ a. True slump,
- b. Shear slump,
- c. Collapse slump

## **Question 2**

What is the slump value of concrete for normal RCC work?

⇒ It is 80 to 150 mm for normal RCC work and 25 to 50 mm for mass concreting.

## **Question 3**

What are the various steps involved in the process of concreting?

- ⇒ a. Batching
- b. Mixing
- c. Transportation
- d. Placing
- e. Compaction
- f. Finishing
- g. Curing

## **Question 4**

What should be the minimum value of concrete cover?

⇒ It should not be less than double the stirrup bar diameter.

**Question 5**

Why is the concrete cover value for different RCC Members?

⇒

- a. Slab = 20 mm
- b. Beam = 25 mm
- c. Column = 40 mm
- d. Footing = 50 mm

**Question 6**

What is the standard size of a concrete cube?

⇒ 150mm × 150 mm × 150 mm

**Question 7**

How many cubes are filled for 1 cubic meter of concrete?

⇒ 1 sample = 3 cube

1-5cum = 1

6 – 15 cum = 2

16 – 30 cum = 3

31 – 50 cum = 4

50 cum and above = 4 plus one additional sample for each 50 additional cum.

**Question 8**

How much concrete gains strength after seven days?

⇒ 7 days – 65%

**Question 9**

What is the soundness of cement?

⇒ It is a property that makes sure the cement does not show any considerable expansion once it has been set.

**Question 10**

What are the names of different tests to check the concrete quality?

⇒ On fresh Concrete

a. Workability

b. Air Content

c. Setting Time

On hardened Concrete

a. Compressive strength

b. Tensile strength

c. Modulus of Elasticity

d. Permeability test

e. In situ test

**Question 11**

What is the specific gravity of OPC cement?

⇒ 3.1 to 3.16 grams per cubic centimeter

**Question 12**

What is the specific gravity of PPC cement?

⇒ 3.08 g/cc

**Question 13**

What are the different field tests of cement?

⇒ Color test, float test, presence of lumps, Manufacturing date, Inside Temperature.

**Question 14**

How many days of cement last long?

⇒ Three months

**Question 15**

What is the normal consistency of OPC Cement?

⇒ 25 to 35%

**Question 16**

What should be the PH value of water used in concrete?

⇒ No less than 6

**Question 17**

What is the Idle temperature for concreting?

⇒ It should be 26.7°C to 35°C As per the ASTM C1064 code.

**Question 18**

What is grouting?

⇒ Grouting may be defined as the is the process of inserting material into cavities, concrete cracks, rock mass, soil, and masonry structure to increase their load-bearing capacity. The material used for this work is known as grout. Or It is a concrete fluid form applied to fill up the voids.

**Question 19**

What is shotcrete?

⇒ Shotcrete is the process of spraying and depositing very fine concrete or mortar onto a prepared surface by jetting it with high velocity.

**Question 20**

What are the different types of shotcrete processes?

- ⇒ a. Dry Mix Process
- b. Wet Mix process

**Question 21**

What is Guniting?

⇒ The dry mix shotcrete process is called Guniting.

**Question 22**

Which material is used for filling cracks in masonry structures?

⇒ Plastic Bitumen

**Question 23**

Which machine is used for testing the compressive strength of concrete?

⇒ UTM (Universal Testing Machine)

**Question 24**

What is a honeycomb in concrete?

⇒ Honeycombs are voids or cavities on concrete formed due to mortar not filling the spaces between the coarse aggregate particles.

**Question 25**

What is a projection line?

⇒ A projection line is a way in which the earth is presented on a flat piece of paper.

**Question 26**

What should be the slope of the staircase?

⇒ 25° to 40° As per IS 456

**Question 27**

What should be the size of the tread and riser for residential and commercial buildings?

⇒ For residential = Trade 250 mm, riser- 160mm

For commercial = Trade – 270 to 300 mm, Riser = 130 to 150 mm

**Question 28**

How can we check the level on a construction site?

⇒ We can check the level on the construction site with the help of the spirit level, auto level, and level pipe.

**Question 29**

What is the minimum reading that we can read on dumpy-level staff?

⇒ 5 mm

**Question 30**

What is the Full form of BHK?

⇒ Bedroom, hall, and kitchen

**Question 31**

What is the Full Form of FAR?

⇒ Floor Area Ratio

**Question 32**

What is the formula of FAR?

⇒ FAR = Total covered area of all floors of the building/ plot area

**Question 33**

How many levels are involved in the construction of a building?

⇒ NGL, GL, FGL, Plinth level, FFL, Sill Level, Lintel Level

**Question 34**

What should be the compressive strength of First-class Brick?

⇒ It should not be less than 105 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>

**Question 35**

What is the standard size of a Brick?

⇒ 19 × 9 × 9 cm

**Question 36**

What various tests are done to check the quality of Bricks?

- ⇒ a. Crushing strength
- b. Water absorption
- c. Shape, and size
- d. Hardness
- e. Efflorescence
- f. Soundness
- g. Color
- h. Structure

**Question 37**

What are the different types of bonds used in brick masonry?

- ⇒ a. Header bond
- b. Stretcher bond
- c. English bond
- d. Flemish bond

**Question 38**

What are the types of Stonemasonry?

- ⇒ a. Rubble Masonry
- b. Ashlar Masonry

**Question 39**

What should be the standard height of the Floor?

⇒ 3 meters

**Question 40**

What are the different types of foundations?

⇒ Shallow Foundation, Deep Foundation

**Question 41**

When is Pile Foundation used?

⇒ When the soil bearing capacity is less than 24 kN/m<sup>3</sup>

**Question 42**

What is the bearing capacity of soil?

⇒ It is the soil's ability to bear the load coming over its unit area without causing unreasonable settlement.

**Question 43**

What is the Full Form of DPC?

⇒ Damp Proof Course

**Question 44**

What is soil stabilization?

⇒ It is the process that improves the physical properties, such as increasing the shear strength, bearing capacity, resistance to erosion, dust formation, and frost heaving.

**Question 45**

What are the standard methods of demolition?

- ⇒ a. Hydro-demolition
- b. Pressure Bursting
- c. Dismantling

**Question 46**

What is the minimum curing period for concrete?

⇒ As per IS 456 – 2000, Seven days with OPC Cement and ten days If exposed to hot weather.

**Question 47**

What is the allowable % of silt in the sand?

⇒ It should not be more than 6%

**Question 48**

What is the value of the fineness modulus of sand?

⇒ It ranges between 2.2 to 3.2

Fine sand = 2.2 to 2.6

Medium Sand = 2.6 to 2.9

Course sand = 2.9 to 3.2

**Question 49**

What is the size of sieves used in the finesse modulus of the sand test?

⇒ 4.75mm, 2.36mm, 1.18mm, 0.6mm. 0.3mm, 0.15mm

**Question 50**

What should be the thickness of the internal plaster?

⇒ Internal Plaster = 12 mm and External Plaster = 15 to 20 mm

**Question 51**

What should be the minimum thickness of the Slab?

⇒ 125 mm

**Question 52**

What is the Carpet area?

⇒ An area on which we can spread a carpet or net useable space refers to a carpet area.

**Question 53**

What is the built-up area?

⇒ Built-up Area = Carpet area + External Walls + Balconies + Service Shaft

Usually, it is 10% more than the carpet area.

**Question 54**

What is a super built-up area?

⇒ Super built-up area = Built-up area + common areas

Usually, it is 10 to 40% more than the carpet area.

**Question 55**

What is the de-shuttering time for the column?

⇒ 16-24 hours

**Question 56**

What are the different grades of HYSD bars?

⇒ Fe 250, Fe 415, Fe 500

**Question 57**

What is 415 in Fe415?

⇒ Tensile strength in N/mm<sup>2</sup> of the bar.

**Question 58**

What is the formula to calculate the unit weight of steel bars?

⇒  $D^2/162.2$

**Question 59**

What is the density of steel?

⇒ 7850 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Question 60**

What is the full form of a TMT bar?

⇒ Thermo-mechanically treated Bar



**Question 61**

What are the advantages of TMT steel?

⇒

High yield strength

Good weldability

Great ductility

Better corrosion resistance

**Question 62**

What is the maximum allowed height for free fall of concrete?

⇒ Not more than 1.5 meters

**Question 63**

What is the minimum diameter of bars for columns?

⇒ 12 mm

**Question 64**

What is the minimum diameter of the bar for stirrups?

⇒ 8 mm

**Question 65**

How many bars should be provided in a circular column?

⇒ Minimum 6 numbers

**Question 66**

What are the various methods of RCC Design?

⇒ Working stress Method

Ultimate load method or load factor method

Limit state method

**Question 67**

Why are stirrups provided in columns?

⇒ To hold the main bar and resist shear stress.

**Question 68**

What is the Full form of BBS?

⇒ Bar Bending Schedule

**Question 69**

What is the value of Hook length?

⇒ 9d or 75 mm

**Question 70**

What is the value of the crank length for the slab?

⇒  $0.45D$ , where  $D$  is the depth of the slab

**Question 71**

What is lap length?

⇒ The length used to overlap two bars to transfer stresses from one bar to another safely refers to lap length.

**Question 72**

What is the value of lap length?

⇒ For compression = Equal to  $L_d$  (development length) but not less than  $24d$

For Tension

Flexural Tension =  $L_d$  (development length) or  $30d$  which is greater

Direct Tension =  $2L_d$  (development length) or  $30d$  which is greater

$d$  = diameter of bar

**Question 73**

What is the development length?

⇒ The minimum length of the bar is required to be embedded in concrete to safely transfer stresses from the bar to the concrete.

**Question 74**

What is the difference between development length and lap length?

⇒ Lap length transfer stresses from one bar to another, whereas development length transfers stress from steel bars to concrete.

**Question 75**

What is the general % of steel for different RCC members?

⇒ For lintel, slab =  $0.7 - 1.0$  %

For Beam =  $1.0 - 2.0$  %

For Column =  $1.0 - 5.0$  %

For Footing =  $0.5$  to  $0.8$  %

**Question 76.**

How can you determine if a slab is one-way or two-way?

⇒ If the longer span to shorter span ratio is greater than two = One-way slab

If the longer span to shorter span ratio is less than or equal to two = Two-way slab.

**Question 77**

What are the various diameter bars used in construction?

⇒ 8mm  
10mm  
12mm  
16mm  
20mm  
25mm  
32mm  
40 mm

**Question 78**

Which diameter bar lapping should not be allowed?

⇒ If the bar diameter is more than 36 mm, lapping should not be allowed.

**Question 79**

What is the suitable lapping zone for the beam?

⇒ For top reinforcement at mid-span

For bottom reinforcement – near the end of the beam or  $l/4$  distance from the column face.

**Question 80**

What is the suitable lapping zone for the column?

⇒ Midsection of the column

**Question 81**

What should be the spacing of the chair?

⇒ Maximum 1 meter or one number per square meter

**Question 82**

What should be the minimum diameter of reinforcement for the chair?

⇒ No less than 12 mm

**Question 83**

Why is steel used with concrete?

⇒ Because steel has better bonding with the concrete, it expands and contracts at the same rate due to temperature.

**Question 84**

What is Shear Force?

⇒ It is a force acting in the direction parallel to the body's cross-section or surface. Such as air pressure flow over an airplane wing.

### **Question 85**

What is Bending Moment?

⇒ It is a reaction induced in the structural member due to the externally applied force, causing the member to bend.

### **Question 86**

What is a Negative Bending moment?

⇒ A moment that produces tension on the top part and compression at the bottom part of a beam is called the negative bending moment.

### **Question 87**

What is a Moment of Inertia?

⇒ It expresses a body's tendency to oppose angular acceleration.

$$I = L/w$$

$$I = \text{Inertia}$$

$$L = \text{angular momentum}$$

$$W = \text{angular velocity.}$$

### **Question 88**

What are the equations of Equilibrium?

⇒  $\Sigma F_x = 0 = 0$ ,  $\Sigma F_y = 0$  and  $\Sigma M = 0$ .

### **Question 89**

What is a zero-force member?

⇒ It is a structural member in a truss that is neither in tension nor in compression and doesn't support any loading but helps in the stability of the truss.

### **Question 90**

How many types of beams are based on supports?

⇒ There are 5 types of beams based on supports as follows:

- a. Simply supported
- b. Cantilever
- c. Overhanging
- d. Continuous
- e. Fixed

### **Question 91**

How can you identify zero-force members?

⇒ **At two-member joint**

If two non-collinear members meet at a joint that doesn't have any load, both are zero-force members.

**At three-member joint**

When three members of the truss meet at the joint that doesn't have any load, two of which are collinear, and the third member is a zero-force member.

**Question 92**

What are the various types of load?

⇒ The various types of load are as follows:

- a. Concentrated or point load
- b. Uniformly Distributed Load (UDL)
- c. Uniformly Varying Load (UVL)

**Question 93**

What is reinforced concrete?

⇒ Reinforced concrete has steel bars or mesh in them, which gives extra strength to the construction.

**Question 94**

What is the Slenderness ratio?

⇒ The ratio of structural elements (column) length to its least radius of gyration.

**Question 95**

Where does the maximum bending moment occur on a beam?

⇒ Where shear force changes sign

**Question 96**

What it is called If the material has all identical properties?

⇒ Isotropic

**Question 97**

Where does the maximum bending moment occur on a fixed-end beam due to a moving load?

⇒ At supports

**Question 98**

Where does the maximum bending moment occur on a cantilever beam?

⇒ Maximum at the fixed end and zero at the free end.

**Question 99**

What is the Point of Contraflexure?

⇒ The point at which the bending moment changes sign +ve to -ve or vice versa is called the point of contra flexure.

**Question 100**

What is the value of bending moment at the point of contra flexure?

⇒ Zero

**Question 101**

How can you determine a bending moment is positive or negative?

⇒ With the help of sign convention, the clockwise moment is positive, and the anticlockwise moment is negative. Its direction is opposite to the direction of the force.

**Question 102**

How many types of supports are used in the Structure?

⇒ There are 4 types of support as follows:

Simple Support

Pinned Support

Roller Support

Fixed Support

**Question 103**

what is equal to the rate of change of bending moment?

⇒ Shear force

**Question 104**

What is the modulus of rigidity?

⇒ The shear stress to shear strain ratio is known as the modulus of rigidity.

**Question 105**

What is the density of sand?

⇒ Dry = 1600 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

River Sand = 1760 to 2000 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Question 106**

What is the density of aggregate?

⇒ 2400 – 2900 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Question 107**

What is the density of brick?

⇒ 1600 to 1920 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>

**Question 108**

How many cement bags are in one cubic meter?

⇒ 28.8 bags

**Question 109**

How can you calculate the volume of concrete?

⇒ It can be determined by multiplying the length, width, and height or depth of the member.

**Question 110**

How can you calculate materials quantity for M15 grade concrete?

⇒ It can be determined with 1.54 divided by the sum of M15 grade concrete ratio(1:2:4).

$1.54/7 = 0.22 \text{ cum}$

Cement =  $0.22 \times 1 = 0.22 \text{ cum}$

Sand =  $0.22 \times 2 = 0.44 \text{ cum}$

Aggregate =  $0.22 \times 4 = 0.66 \text{ cum}$

**Question 111**

What is 1.54?

⇒ It is the dry volume of one cubic meter of concrete.

**Question 112**

What is the full form of BOQ?

⇒ Bill of Quantities

**Question 113**

What is an estimate?

⇒ It is a probable work cost usually prepared before the construction start.

**Question 114**

What are the types of estimates?

⇒ There are 8 types of estimates as follows:

- a. Approximate or rough estimate
- b. Cubical Content estimate
- c. Detailed estimate
- d. Quantity estimate
- e. Revised estimate
- f. Annual repair and Annual Main tenancy estimate
- g. Supplementary estimate
- h. Extension and improvement estimate

**Question 115**

What are contingencies?

⇒ It refers to the incidental expenses of a miscellaneous character that can't be classified under any specific item.

A provision of 3 to 5% of the estimated cost is provided to meet the cost of unexpected items.

### **Question 116**

What is work charged establishment?

⇒ It refers to the establishment which is charged to work directly. 1.5 to 2 % of the estimated cost is provided to avoid excess of the administratively approved estimate.

### **Question 117**

What is rate analysis?

⇒ It is the process of fixing the rate of an item which is known as rate analysis.

### **Question 118**

What is SOR?

⇒ A schedule or rates list of different work items is prepared after analyzing the rate of these items. This document is called the **schedule of rates**.

### **Question 119**

What are the different methods of building estimates?

⇒ These 2 methods of building estimates as follows:

- a. Longwall short wall method
- b. Centreline method

### **Question 120**

What is the full form of DPR?

⇒ Detailed Project Report

### **Question 121**

What is the formula to calculate the volume of trapezoidal footing?

⇒

$$V = H/3 (1 + A_2 + \sqrt{A_1 \times A_2})$$

A1 = Area of lower part

A2 = Area of upper part

H = Height of trapezoidal

### **Question 122**

What is QA & QC?

⇒ Quality Assurance means the implementation of proactive methods that propose to prevent defects.

Quality Control means the method of examining the output to identify defects and correct them.

### **Question 123**

What is Surveying?

⇒ The branch of science helps determine the relative positions above or beneath the earth's surface through direct and indirect measurements of distance, direction, and elevation.



**Question 124**

What are the primary two divisions of surveying?

⇒ The primary 2 divisions of surveying are as follows:

- a. Plane Surveying
- b. Geodetic Surveying

**Question 125**

What is the principle of surveying?

⇒ Always work from the whole to the part.

Location of a point by measurement from two points of reference.

**Question 126**

What is the various instrument used for linear measurement?

⇒ Chain, tape, arrow, Pags, ranging rod, offset rods, plumb Bob

**Question 127**

What are the various types of chains practiced in surveying?

⇒ The various types of chains practiced in surveying are as follows:

- a. Metric chain
- b. Surveyor chain
- c. Gunter's chain
- d. Engineer's chain
- e. Revenue chain

**Question 128**

What is Ranging?

⇒ The process of fixing intermediate points during chaining to maintain the direction of the work is known as range.

**Question 129**

What is compass surveying?

⇒ Compass surveying is the part of surveying in which a compass defines the direction of the survey line, and its length by tape or chain is known as compass surveying.

**Question 130**

What are the different types of compasses?

⇒ The different types of compasses as follows:

- Prismatic Compass
- Surveyor's compass

**Question 131**

What is traverse?

⇒ A series of connected lines whose length and direction are known is called a Traverse.

**Question 132**

What are the different types of traverse  
There are 2 types of traverse as follows:  
a. Open Traverse  
b. Closed Traverse

**Question 133**

What is Meridian?  
⇒ The fixed reference line is known as the meridian.

**Question 134**

What are the types of meridians?  
⇒ The types of meridians are as follows:  
a. True Meridian  
b. Magnetic Meridian  
c. Arbitrary Meridian

**Question 135**

What do you understand by bearing a line?  
⇒ It is a horizontal angle that it makes with a reference line or meridian.

**Question 136**

What are the different systems of designation of bearing?  
⇒ a. WCB (Whole circle bearing)  
b. QB (Quadrantal or Reduced Bearing)

**Question 137**

In which system does the prismatic compass works?  
⇒ WCB (Whole circle bearing) system

**Question 138**

In which system does the surveyor compass work?  
⇒ QB (Quadrantal or Reduced Bearing) system

**Question 139**

What is a reduced level  
⇒ It is the height of the point relative to the datum.

**Question 140**

What is a benchmark?  
⇒ Fixed point of known elevation.

**Question 141**

What is Leveling?

⇒ It is the method of surveying to determine the relative position of the points on the earth's surface.

**Question 142**

What is the name of various parts of the dumpy level?

⇒ The name of various parts of the dumpy level are as follows:

- a. Telescope
- b. Eye-piece
- c. Object piece
- d. Eyepiece focusing screw
- e. Objective focusing screw
- f. Longitudinal bubble
- g. Foot screw