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**BUILDING CONSTRUCTION II,
CIVIL CONSTRUCTION AND
TRANSPORT ENGINEERING I**

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Time: 3 hours



THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL

**DIPLOMA IN CIVIL ENGINEERING
MODULE II**

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

You should have the following for this examination:

Answer booklet;

Scientific calculator.

*This paper consists of **EIGHT** questions in **THREE** sections; **A**, **B** and **C**.*

*Answer **FIVE** questions choosing **TWO** questions from section **A**, **TWO** questions from section **B** and **ONE** question from section **C**.*

All questions carry equal marks.

Maximum marks for each part of a question are indicated.

Candidates should answer the questions in English.

This paper consists of 5 printed pages.

**Candidates should check the question paper to ascertain that all
the pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.**

SECTION A: BUILDING CONSTRUCTION II

Answer TWO questions from this section.

1. (a) (i) Describe the term shell roof as used in construction.
 (ii) List **two** structures in which shell roofs are used. — (4 marks)

- (b) With the aid of labelled sketches, distinguish between the following types of roofs:
 (i) gambrel roof;
 (ii) mansard roof. (6 marks)

- (c) With aid of a sketches, describe the following forms of timber trusses:
 (i) king post truss;
 (ii) queen post truss. (10 marks)

2. (a) **Figure 1** shows the plan of a suspended slab in which a rectangular opening has been provided for ducts.

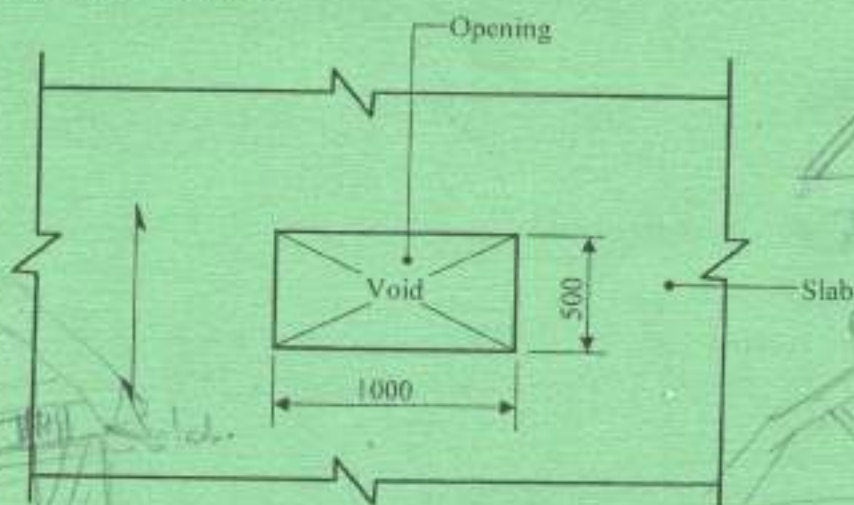


Fig. 1

Show the arrangement of the reinforcements in plan.

(8 marks)

- (b) Using labelled cross-sectional sketches, describe the following types of timber upper floors:
 (i) single; —
 (ii) double floor. (12 marks)

3. (a) State **five** advantages of steel roof trusses over timber roof trusses. (5 marks)

- (b) Outline the procedure of laying galvanized corrugated iron sheets on a rectangular roof panel. (5 marks)

- (c) Figure 2 shows the roof plan of a building.

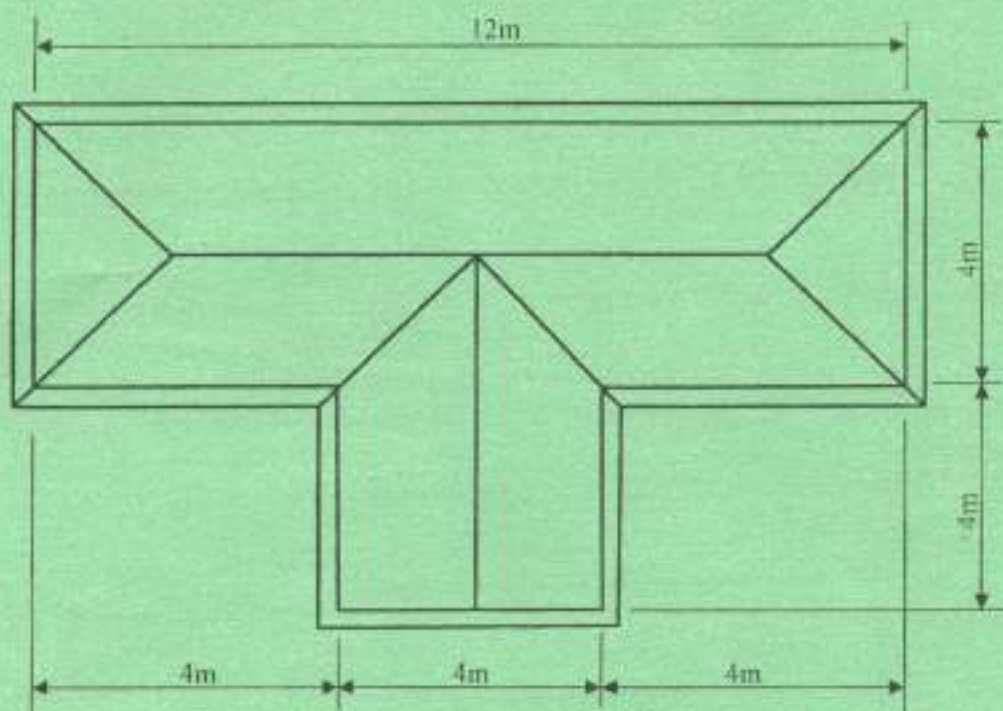


Fig. 2

Estimate the quantity of roof covering materials required given the following data:

Roof pitch	-	30°
Eaves	-	500 mm
G.C.I. Sheet size	-	300 x 1000 mm
End lap	-	150 mm
Side lap	-	150 mm

$$12 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 40m$$



(10 marks)

SECTION B: CIVIL ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION

Answer **TWO** questions from this section.

4. (a) State **four** factors that are considered in the design of outdoor swimming pools. (4 marks)
- (b) State the function of bulkhead as used in construction. (2 marks)
- (c) Explain the function of each of the following marine structures:
 - (i) moles; -
 - (ii) groin. (4 marks)
- (d) (i) Define the term gauge as used in railway.
- (ii) State **three** common gauges used in railways.
- (iii) Sketch and label a section through a railway line showing the components of a track. (10 marks)

5. (a) Explain the following methods of tunnelling:
- cut and cover;
 - immersed system. (4 marks)
- (b) Distinguish between bored wells and drilled wells. (4 marks)
- (c) Sketch and label a section through a typical water well showing its components. (6 marks)
- (d) Explain **three** primary causes of failure in embankment dams. (6 marks)
6. (a) (i) Describe a weir as used in discharge structures.
- (ii) Using line diagrams, sketch the elevation of two types of weirs. (4 marks)
- (b) **Figure 3** shows the plan of an open channel.

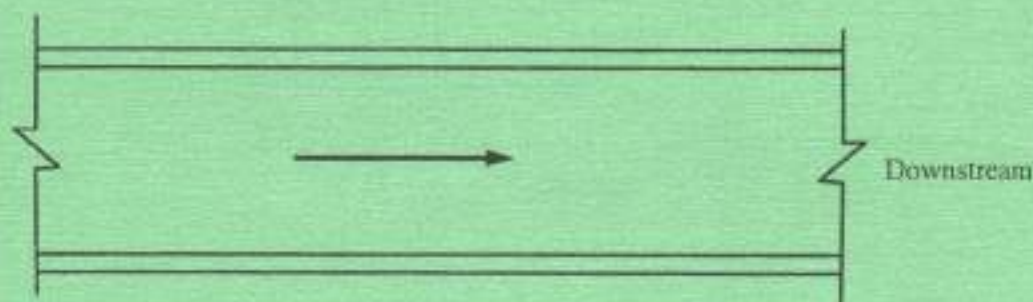


Fig. 3

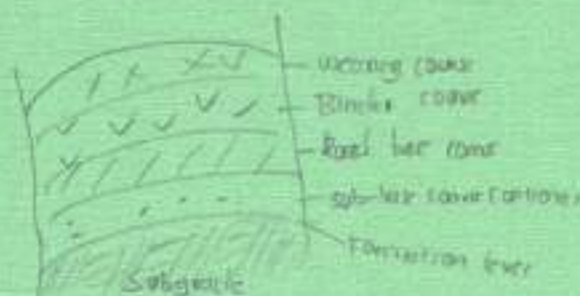
Using labelled plans, show the use of the following flumes in regulating flow in the channel:

- parshall flume;
 - cut-throat flume. (6 marks)
- (c) Distinguish between the following types of retaining walls:
- cantilever;
 - counterfort. (4 marks)
- (d) With the aid of sketches, explain **three** modes of failure that may occur in gravity retaining walls. (6 marks)

SECTION C: TRANSPORT ENGINEERING I

Answer ONE question from this section.

7. (a) Outline **three** planning surveys for transportation systems. (6 marks)
- (b) With the aid of a sketch, explain the variation of the distabalizing force acting on a vehicle negotiating a compound transition curve. (6 marks)
- (c) (i) Explain the two speed change lanes in highways and state the one with priority in design and construction.
 (ii) Using line diagrams, sketch five at grade intersections. (8 marks)
- ✓ 8. (a) Outline **three** modes of transportation in relation to the media surrounding man. (6 marks)
- Road - railway - air
- (b) With the aid of sketches, differentiate between **two** types of road pavements. (6 marks)
- (c) Explain **four** factors that influence the thickness of a road pavement. (8 marks)



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