AMAG08 SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION AND STRUCTURES

UNIT-1 SOIL EROSION CAUSES

- 1.1 Types and agents of soil erosion; water erosion forms of water erosion, mechanics of erosion;
- 1.2 Effect of slope, slope length, soil, vegetation, topographical features and rainfall- on erosion, gullies and their classification, stages of gully development;
- 1.3 Soil loss estimation universal soil loss equation and modified soil loss equation, determination of their various parameters.

UNIT-2 EROSION CONTROL MEASURES

- 2.1 Agronomic measures contour cropping, strip cropping, mulching; mechanical measures terraces
- 2.2 Level and graded broad base terraces and- their design, bench terraces and their design, layout procedure, terrace planning,- bunds contour bunds,
- 2.3 Graded bunds and their design; gully and ravine reclamation principles of gully control vegetative and temporary structures; control measures for stream bank and coastal erosion.

UNIT-3 LANDSLIDES FACTORS CAUSING IT

- 3.1 Land slips, Measures for control; Sedimentation in reservoirs and streams; Estimation and measurement, sediment delivery ratio, trap efficiency; Land use capability classification;
- 3.2 Grassed waterways and their design; Introduction to water harvesting techniques; introduction to stream water quality and pollution.
- 3.3 Use of- Geotextiles in soil and water conservation.
- 3.4 Wind erosion factors affecting wind erosion,- mechanics of wind erosion, soil loss estimation, wind erosion control measures vegetative,
- 3.5 Mechanical measures, wind breaks and shelterbelts, sand dunes stabilization.

UNIT-4 CLASSIFICATION OF CONSERVATION STRUCTURES

- 4.1 Functional requirements of soil erosion control structures; flow in open channels types of flow, state of flow, regimes of flow, energy and momentum principles,
- 4.2 Specific energy and specific force, flow transitions due to hump and width variations; hydraulic jump and its application, type of hydraulic jump,
- 4.3 Energy- dissipation due to jump, jump efficiency, relative loss of energy; straight drop spillway general description, functional use, advantages and disadvantages,
- 4.4 Structural parts and functions; components of spillway, hydrologic and hydraulic design, free board and wave free board, aeration of weirs, concept of free and submerged flow.

UNIT-5 STRUCTURAL DESIGN OF A DROP SPILLWAY LOADS ON HEADWALL

- 5.1 Variables affecting equivalent fluid pressure, determination of saturation line for different flow conditions, seepage under the structure, equivalent fluid pressure,
- 5.2 Triangular load diagram for various flow conditions, creep line theory, uplift pressure-

- 5.3 Estimation, safety against sliding, overturning, crushing and tension;
- 5.4 Chute spillway general description and its components, hydraulic design,
- 5.5 Energy- dissipaters, design criteria of a SAF stilling basin and its limitations,
- 5.6 Drop inlet spillway general description, functional use, design criteria; design of diversions;
- 5.7 Small earth embankments their types and design principles,
- 5.8 Farm ponds, percolation ponds, check dams and reservoirs.
- 5.9 Environmental impact assessment.

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- 2. Singh,G. (1985). Manual of Soil and water conservation Practice in India.. Central Soil and water conservation Research and training institute, Dehradun.
- 3. Suresh, R. (1997). Soil and water Conservation Engineering. Standard Publishers and Distributors.

