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- COURSE NAME : HIGHWAY ENGINEERING
- COURSE CODE : BFC 31802
- PROGRAMME CODE : BFF
- EXAMINATION DATE : JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2022
- DURATION : 2 HOUR AND 30 MINUTES
- INSTRUCTION : 1. ANSWER **ALL** QUESTIONS.
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**Q1** (a) Briefly explain the sign board as road user guideline that can be found in Malaysia.

(5 marks)

(b) Describe **TWO (2)** categories with example about the available of existing road in Malaysia.

(5 marks)

(c) Irdina Construction Sdn Bhd was responsible to upgrade and widening project at Jalan Simpang Lima to Parit Sulong. In order to proceed the surface works, Advanced highway laboratory, UTHM were appointed by AMONA Sdn Bhd to conduct a series of Marshall stability and flow test on the loose specimen obtained from TKC Premix Quarry. The volumetric properties of the Marshall's specimens are tabulated in **Table Q1(c)(i)** and **Table Q1(c)(ii)**. Given the specific gravity of aggregate and bitumen are 2.67 and 1.02, respectively. Based on those statements;

(i) Calculate bulk and percentage volume of bitumen, aggregate and voids in **Table Q1(c)(i)**.

(6 marks)

(ii) Plot the curve of density, stability, flow, void in total mix (VTM) and void filled with bitumen (VFB), and stiffness against bitumen content in **Figure Q1(c)(ii)**.

(6 marks)

(iii) Determine the optimum bitumen content form **Figure Q1(c)(ii)**. Justify your answer according to Standard Specification for Roadwork (JKR/SPJ/2008-S4).

(3 marks)

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- Q2** (a) Briefly discuss **TWO (2)** aspects of sight distance that must be considered when the driver passing a vehicle through an intersection.

(4 marks)

- (b) **FIGURE Q2(b)** shows the horizontal curve section of a rural highway with the offset clearance for planting tree is 12 m. The highway is designed for 110km/hr, while the curve length and curve radius are 230 m and 500 m, respectively. If the driver's perception-reaction time is taken as 2.5 s and the coefficient of friction between the tires and the road surface as 0.28, calculate the safe stopping sight distance and suggested the adequate of minimum offset clearance.

(6 marks)

- (c) The road flexible pavement designed for 15 years of design life can be presented a traffic volume by 15.1 million, constructed on treated subgrade with mean California Bearing Ratio (CBR) at normal distribution as 25%. If the standard deviation is 4.5 %, design the pavement thickness accordance to the Arahan Teknik Jalan, ATJ 5/85 (Rev. 2013).

Refer to **Table Q2(c)(i)** to **Table Q2(c)(iv)** and **Figure Q2(c)(i)** to **Figure Q2(c)(v)** for your calculation.

(15 marks)

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- Q3** (a) Compaction is an important process in the preparation of the road surface layer.
- (i) Briefly explain the compaction process and importance of compaction. (3 marks)
  - (ii) Define the compaction effort of asphalt layer. (3 marks)
  - (iii) Based on your opinion, explain about the effects of the inadequacy of compaction process on road surface. (3 marks)
- (b) **Table Q3 (b)** provides the estimated area of cut and fill at 100 m intervals along 0.6 km segmented of roadway. Based on the data,
- (i) Calculate the cumulative volume with shrinkage factor 10%. (10 marks)
  - (ii) Plot mass haul diagram with the data. (4 marks)
  - (iii) Identify volume of soil wasted or borrowed. (2 marks)
- Q4** (a) Briefly discuss on how to evaluate a pavement maintenance strategy that to improve the pavement maintenance techniques on pavement segments based on minimum maintenance techniques requirement. (8 marks)
- (b) Propose and discuss the alternative of road pavement maintenance techniques or methods to prevent and improve road surface deterioration. (8 marks)
- (c) A continuous heavy traffic and climatic factors contribute to the gradual deterioration of pavements. Delay on maintenance or rehabilitation may influence road pavement performance. Based on these statements, propose a pavement condition characteristics and appropriate treatment that used to evaluate whether the pavement should be rehabilitated. (9 marks)

- END OF QUESTIONS -

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**Table Q1(c)(i): Volumetric properties of compacted specimen**

| SAMPLE         | % Bit. SPEC. NO | WEIGHT (gram) |         |          | BULK VOLUME | SPEC. GRAVITY |             | VOLUME (%) |      |       | VOIDS (%) |     |     |  |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------|----------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------|-------|-----------|-----|-----|--|
|                |                 | SATURATED     | IN AIR  | IN WATER |             | BULK          | MAX. THEORY | BITUMEN    | AGG. | VOIDS | AGG.      | VFB | VTM |  |
| Sample 1       | 5.00            | 1261.60       | 1250.90 | 703.70   |             | 2.242         | 2.470       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 2       | 5.00            | 1254.30       | 1245.20 | 701.30   |             | 2.252         | 2.470       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                 |               |         |          |             | <b>2.2</b>    | <b>2.5</b>  |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 1       | 5.50            | 1275.60       | 1253.00 | 709.00   |             | 2.229         | 2.452       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 2       | 5.50            | 1231.90       | 1230.00 | 699.80   |             | 2.312         | 2.452       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                 |               |         |          |             | <b>2.3</b>    | <b>2.5</b>  |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 1       | 6.00            | 1265.5        | 1263.2  | 709.9    |             | 2.274         | 2.434       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 2       | 6.00            | 1270.0        | 1267.8  | 709.9    |             | 2.264         | 2.434       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                 |               |         |          |             | <b>2.3</b>    | <b>2.4</b>  |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 1       | 6.50            | 1274.8        | 1273.6  | 719.7    |             | 2.294         | 2.416       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 2       | 6.50            | 1271.4        | 1269.8  | 719.6    |             | 2.301         | 2.416       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                 |               |         |          |             | <b>2.3</b>    | <b>2.4</b>  |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 1       | 7.00            | 1273.2        | 1271.8  | 721.9    |             | 2.307         | 2.398       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| Sample 2       | 7.00            | 1259.1        | 1257.7  | 714.1    |             | 2.308         | 2.398       |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                 |               |         |          |             | <b>2.3</b>    | <b>2.4</b>  |            |      |       |           |     |     |  |

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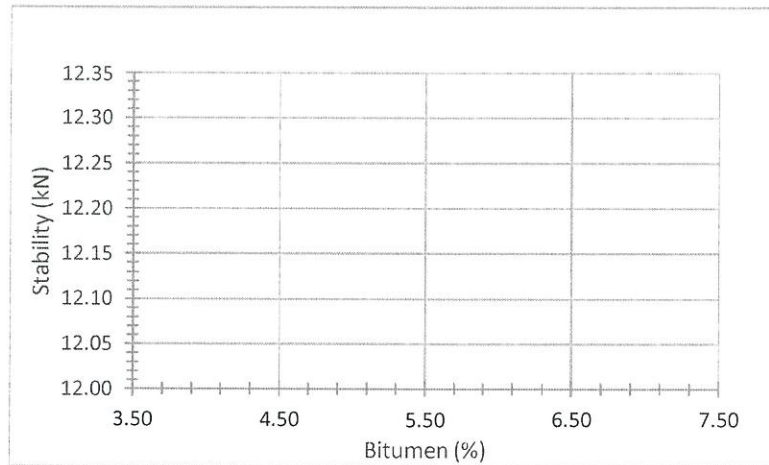
Table Q1(c)(ii): Stability and flow data

| SAMPLE         | % Bit.<br>SPEC.<br>NO | CORR<br>FACTOR | STABILITY<br>(Kg) |      | FLOW<br>mm | STIFFNESS |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|------|------------|-----------|
|                |                       |                | MEAN              | CORR |            |           |
| Sample 1       | 5.00                  | 0.93           | 12.92             |      | 2.33       |           |
| Sample 2       | 5.00                  | 0.93           | 13.55             |      | 2.78       |           |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                       |                | <b>13.2</b>       |      | <b>2.6</b> |           |
| Sample 1       | 5.50                  | 0.93           | 8.68              |      | 4.46       |           |
| Sample 2       | 5.50                  | 0.93           | 11.44             |      | 2.03       |           |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                       |                | <b>10.1</b>       |      | <b>3.2</b> |           |
| Sample 1       | 6.00                  | 0.93           | 9.71              |      | 1.98       |           |
| Sample 2       | 6.00                  | 0.93           | 10.44             |      | 1.91       |           |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                       |                | <b>10.1</b>       |      | <b>1.9</b> |           |
| Sample 1       | 6.50                  | 0.96           | 11.14             |      | 2.27       |           |
| Sample 2       | 6.50                  | 0.93           | 9.72              |      | 2.92       |           |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                       |                | <b>10.4</b>       |      | <b>2.6</b> |           |
| Sample 1       | 7.00                  | 0.96           | 8.61              |      | 1.97       |           |
| Sample 2       | 7.00                  | 0.96           | 9.65              |      | 2.54       |           |
| <b>AVERAGE</b> |                       |                | <b>9.1</b>        |      | <b>2.3</b> |           |

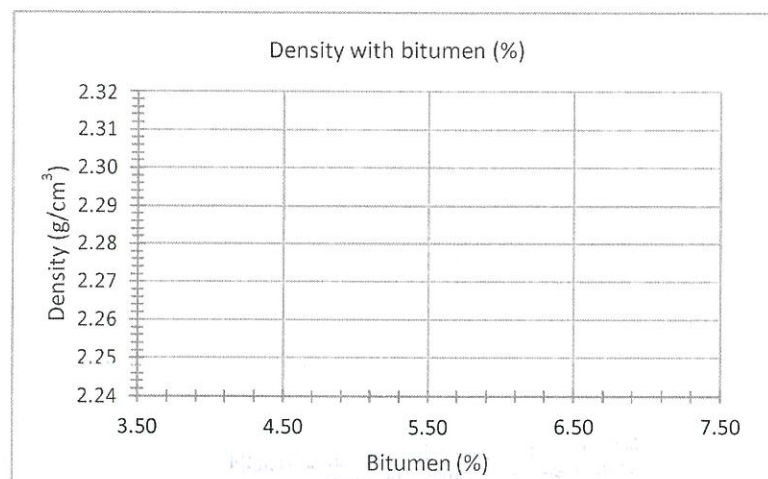
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(a) Stability with bitumen (%)

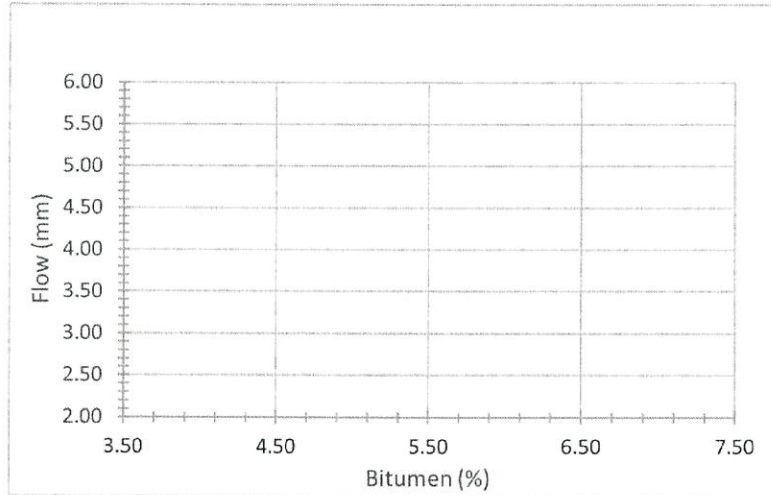


(b) Density with bitumen (%)

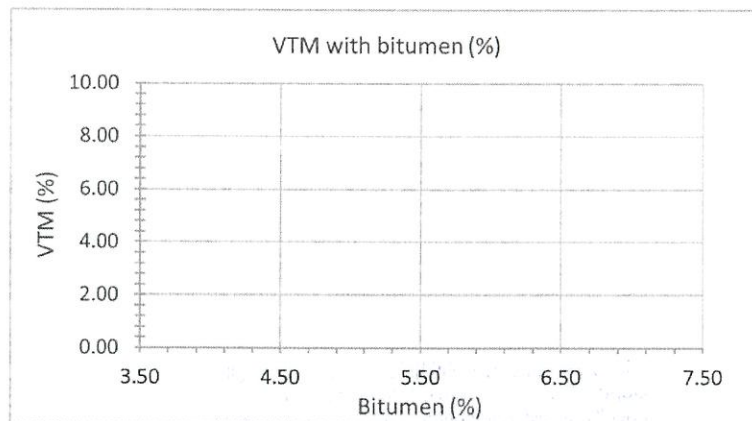
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(c) Flow with bitumen (%)



(d) VTM with bitumen (%)







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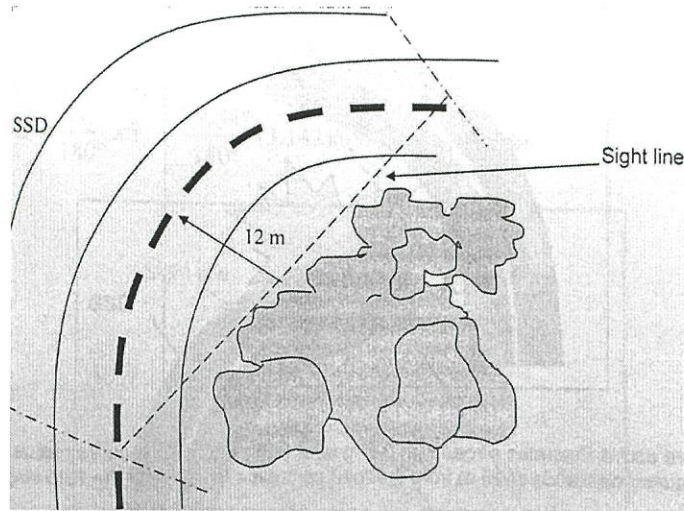


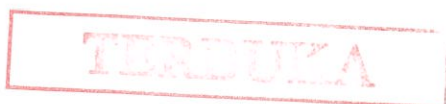
FIGURE Q2(b): Horizontal curve section of a rural highway

Table Q2(c)(i): Classes of subgrade strength (based on CBR) used as input in the pavement catalogue of ATJ 5/85 (Amendment 2013) manual

| Sub-Grade | CBR (%)      | Elastic Modulus (MPa) | Design Input Value |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
|           |              | Range                 |                    |
| SG1       | 5 to 12      | 50 to 20              | 60                 |
| SG2       | 12.1 to 20   | 80 to 140             | 120                |
| SG3       | 20.1 to 30.0 | 100 to 160            | 140                |
| SG4       | >30.0        | 120 to 180            | 180                |

Table Q2(c)(ii): Traffic categories used in this manual (EAL =80 kN)

| Traffic category | Design Traffic (ESAL x 10 <sup>6</sup> ) | Probability (Percentile Applied to Properties of Subgrade Material) |
|------------------|--|---|
| T1               | ≤1.0                                     | ≥ 60%   |
| T2               | 1.1 to 2.0                               | ≥ 70%   |
| T3               | 2.1 to 10.0                              | ≥ 85%   |
| T4               | 10.1 to 30.0                             | ≥ 85%   |
| T5               | >30.0                                    | ≥ 85%   |

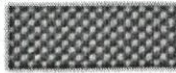


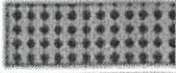
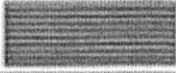

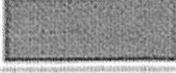





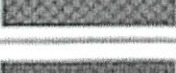




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Table Q2(c)(iv): Summary of material use in pavement structure in Malaysia

| NEW PAVEMENT DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION |   |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| DESIGNATION                          | DESCRIPTION   | ABBREVIATION/<br>SYMBOL  |
| <b>DRAINAGE LAYER</b>                | Primarily functional granular layer with load distribution capability similar to the Sub-Base | DL      |
| <b>SUB-BASE COURSE</b>               | Crushed or natural granular material with maximum 10% fines                                   | GSB     |
| <b>ROAD BASE COURSE</b>              |   |  |
| • Crushed Aggregate                  | Crushed granular material with maximum 10% fines  | CAB     |
| • Wet Mix                            | Crushed granular material with maximum 10% fines  | WMB     |
| • Bituminous                         | Coarse bituminous mix (AC 28)   | BB     |
| • STB 1                              | Stabilised base with at least 3% Portland cement  | STB1  |
| • STB2                               | Stabilised base with bituminous emulsion and maximum of 2% Portland cement                    | STB2  |
| <b>BINDER COURSE</b>                 |   |  |
| • Binder Course                      | Coarse bituminous mix (AC 28)   | BC    |
| <b>WEARING COURSE</b>                |   |  |
| • Asphaltic Concrete                 | Medium to fine bituminous mix (AC 10 or AC 14)  | BSC   |
| • Polymer Modified Asphalt (PMA)     | Medium to fine bituminous mix (AC 10 or AC 14) incorporated with polymer modified bitumen     | PMA   |
| • Stone Mastic Asphalt (SMA)         | Stone mastic asphalt (SMA 14 or SMA 20)   | SMA   |
| • Porous Asphalt                     | Primarily functional porous asphalt (PA 10 or PA 14)  | PA    |
| • Gap-Graded Asphalt                 | Gap Graded Asphalt GPA I or GPA II  | FC    |



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| Pavement Type                                  | Sub-Grade Category  |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|---|
|  | SG 1: CBR 5 to 12   | SG 2: CBR 12.1 to 20  | SG 3: CBR 20.1 to 30  | SG 4: CBR > 30  |
| <b>Conventional Flexible: Granular Base</b>    | <p>BSC: 50<br/>CAB: 250<br/>GSB: 150</p>                      | <p>BSC: 50<br/>CAB: 200<br/>GSB: 150</p>                      | <p>BSC: 50<br/>CAB: 200<br/>GSB: 100</p>                      | <p>BSC: 50<br/>CAB: 100<br/>GSB: 100</p>                      |
| <b>Deep Strength: Stabilised Base</b>          | <p>BSC: 50<br/>STB 2: 100<br/>GSB: 200</p>                    | <p>BSC: 50<br/>STB 2: 100<br/>GSB: 150</p>                    | <p>BSC: 50<br/>STB 2: 100<br/>GSB: 100</p>                    | <p>BSC: 50<br/>STB 2: 100<br/>GSB: 100</p>                    |
| <b>Stabilised Base with Surface Treatment*</b> | <p>Surface Treatment**<br/>GSB: 300<br/>or<br/>STB 2: 250</p> | <p>Surface Treatment**<br/>GSB: 300<br/>or<br/>STB 2: 250</p> | <p>Surface Treatment**<br/>GSB: 250<br/>or<br/>STB 2: 200</p> | <p>Surface Treatment**<br/>GSB: 250<br/>or<br/>STB 2: 200</p> |

Notes:

\* Full Depth Asphalt Concrete Pavement is not recommended for this Traffic Category.

\*\* Single or Double Layer Chip Seal or Micro-Surfacing.

FIGURE Q2(c)(i): Pavement structure for traffic category T1: <1 million ESALs (80kN)



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| Pavement Type                               | Sub-Grade Category                 |                                    |                                    |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|   | SG 1: CBR 5 to 12                  | SG 2: CBR 12.1 to 20               | SG 3: CBR 20.1 to 30               | SG 4: CBR > 30                     |
| <b>Conventional Flexible: Granular Base</b> | BSC: 140<br>CAB: 200<br>GSB: 150   | BSC: 140<br>CAB: 200<br>GSB: 150   | BSC: 120<br>CAB: 200<br>GSB: 100   | BSC: 100<br>CAB: 200<br>GSB: 100   |
| <b>Deep Strength: Stabilised Base</b>       | BSC: 120<br>STB 2: 150<br>GSB: 200 | BSC: 120<br>STB 2: 150<br>GSB: 150 | BSC: 100<br>STB 2: 120<br>GSB: 150 | BSC: 100<br>STB 2: 120<br>GSB: 150 |
| <b>Full Depth: Asphalt Concrete Base</b>    | BSC: 50<br>BB: 100<br>GSB: 250     | BSC: 50<br>BB: 100<br>GSB: 200     | BSC: 50<br>BB: 100<br>GSB: 150     | BSC: 50<br>BB: 80<br>GSB: 150      |

FIGURE Q1(c)(ii): Pavement structure for traffic category T2: 1.0 to 2.0 million ESALs



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| Pavement Type                               | Sub-Grade Category  |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|   | SG 1: CBR 5 to 12   | SG 2: CBR 12.1 to 20  | SG 3: CBR 20.1 to 30  | SG 4: CBR > 30  |
| <b>Conventional Flexible: Granular Base</b> | BSC: 50<br>BC: 130<br>CAB: 200<br>GSB: 200<br>   | BSC: 50<br>BC: 130<br>CAB: 200<br>GSB: 200<br>   | BSC: 50<br>BC: 130<br>CAB: 200<br>GSB: 150<br>   | BSC: 50<br>BC: 130<br>CAB: 200<br>GSB: 100<br>   |
| <b>Deep Strength: Stabilised Base</b>       | BSC: 50<br>BC: 100<br>STB 1: 150<br>GSB: 200<br> | BSC: 50<br>BC: 100<br>STB 1: 150<br>GSB: 150<br> | BSC: 50<br>BC: 100<br>STB 1: 100<br>GSB: 150<br> | BSC: 50<br>BC: 100<br>STB 1: 100<br>GSB: 100<br> |
| <b>Full Depth: Asphalt Concrete Base</b>    | BSC: 50<br>BC/BB: 160<br>GSB: 200<br>          | BSC: 50<br>BC/BB: 150<br>GSB: 150<br>          | BSC: 50<br>BC/BB: 130<br>GSB: 150<br>          | BSC: 50<br>BC/BB: 130<br>GSB: 100<br>          |

Figure Q1(c)(iii): Pavement structure for traffic category T3: 2.0 to 10.0 million ESALs (80kN)



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| Pavement Type                               | Sub-Grade Category |                      |                      |                |
|---|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
|   | SG 1: CBR 5 to 12  | SG 2: CBR 12.1 to 20 | SG 3: CBR 20.1 to 30 | SG 4: CBR > 30 |
| <b>Conventional Flexible: Granular Base</b> |                    |                      |                      |                |
| <b>Deep Strength: Stabilised Base</b>       |                    |                      |                      |                |
| <b>Full Depth: Asphalt Concrete Base</b>    |                    |                      |                      |                |

Figure Q1(c)(iv): Pavement structure for traffic category T4: 10.0 to 30.0 million ESALs (80 kN)





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| Pavement Type                               | Sub-Grade Category  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
|   | SG 1: CBR 5 to 12   | SG 2: CBR 12.1 to 20                                     | SG 3: CBR 20.1 to 30                                     | SG 4: CBR > 30   |
| <b>Conventional Flexible: Granular Base</b> | <p>Sub-Grade Improvement is Recommended</p> <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 190<br/>CAB: 200<br/>GSB: 200</p> | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 190<br/>CAB: 200<br/>GSB: 200</p>  | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 190<br/>CAB: 200<br/>GSB: 150</p>  | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 190<br/>CAB: 200<br/>GSB: 100</p>  |
| <b>Deep Strength: Stabilized Base</b>       | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 160<br/>STB1: 150<br/>GSB: 200</p>  | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 140<br/>STB1: 150<br/>GSB: 150</p> | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 140<br/>STB1: 150<br/>GSB: 150</p> | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 140<br/>STB1: 150<br/>GSB: 100</p> |
| <b>Full Depth: Asphalt Concrete Base</b>    | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 210<br/>GSB: 200</p>  | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 200<br/>GSB: 150</p>               | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 200<br/>GSB: 150</p>               | <p>BSC: 50<br/>BC/BB: 180<br/>GSB: 100</p>               |

Figure Q2(c)(v): Pavement structure for traffic category T5: > 30.0 million ESALs (80 kN)

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Table Q3(b): Volume of cut and fill

| Chainage (m) | Volume of cutting (m <sup>3</sup> ) | Volume of fill (m <sup>3</sup> ) |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 0            |                                     |                                  |
| 100          | 22275                               |                                  |
| 200          | 13902                               |                                  |
| 300          |                                     | 2268                             |
| 400          |                                     | 17744                            |
| 500          |                                     | 14256                            |
| 600          |                                     | 900                              |

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