## National Exams Dec 2016

## 98-Civ-B8, Management of Construction

## 3 hours duration

## Notes:

1. If doubt exists as to the interpretation of any question, the candidate is urged to submit with the answer paper, a clear statement of any assumptions made;
2. This is a "Closed Book" exam. Candidates may use one of two calculators, the Casio or the Sharp approved models;
3. Any five questions constitute a complete paper. Only the first five questions as they appear in your answer book will be marked.
4. All questions are of equal value.

## Marking Scheme

1. 20 marks
2. 20 marks
3. 20 marks
4. 20 marks
5. 20 marks
6. 20 marks

## 1. Scheduling:

For the project network below: (a) Identify the critical path and calculate activities' total floats; (b) What is the effect of delaying activity $F$ by 3 days on project duration?


## 2. Contract Administration:

Discuss and compare the following types of contracts/delivery approaches: Lump Sum, Unit Price, Tur- Key, Cost-Plus, in terms of: Suitability to specific projects; relative degree of risk carried by the owner and the contractor; and relative cost/time of delivery.

## 3. Project Control:

(a) Sketch a typical project S-Curve and show the expenses versus expected payment profiles and discuss ways to reduce interest charges on project financing; and
(b) Discuss the performance indices that are used for schedule and cost control.

## 4. Engineering Economics:

Annual maintenance costs for a particular section of highway pavement are $\$ 7,000$. The placement of a new surface would reduce the annual maintenance cost to $\$ 2,500$ per year for the first 5 years and to $\$ 4,000$ per year for the next five years. The annual maintenance after 10 years would again be $\$ 7,000$. If maintenance costs are the only saving, calculate the maximum investment that can be justified for the new surface, with interest at $5 \%$.

## 5. Insurance:

Discuss the differences between bid bonds and performance bonds. Also, discuss the purpose and mechanics of liens in construction.

## 6. Estimating:

Use the given R.S.Means form to estimate the cost of a new home with 2,500 total square feet living area, with a finished basement and solid masonry exterior wall.

- Simple design from standard plans
- Single family - 1 full bath, 1 kithen
- No basement
- Asphalt shingles on roof
- Hot air heat
- Drywall interior finishes
- Materials and workmanship are average
- Detail specifications on p. 27
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Base cost per square foot of living area


