

MANGALORE UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF MARINE GEOLOGY

MGS 503: EXPLORATION AND ENGINEERING GEOLOGY

Course Outcomes:

CO1: Understand the role of geology in the design and construction of underground openings in rock.

CO2: Attain knowledge about the principles and applications of airborne, onshore and offshore exploration methods.

CO3: Able to apply geologic concepts and approaches on rock engineering projects and Understand various geophysical exploration techniques and well logging techniques

CO4: Able to understand construction of large-scale features/establishments, like dams, tunnels, rail, sub-marine pipelines, road and runways, ports, harbours and airports.

EXPLORATION GEOLOGY

Unit 1	Introduction: scope and objectives of exploration geology. General principles and applications of airborne, onshore and offshore exploration methods for understanding the structure of earth and in the exploration of water, fossil fuels and mineral deposits.	6 hrs
Unit 2	Geophysical Exploration: Principles, instrumentation, methodology and applications of onshore and offshore geophysical explorations - Gravity, magnetic, seismic, electrical and radioactive techniques. Well Logging Techniques: Electrical, Radioactive, Sonic and Miscellaneous. Echosounder and its uses.	6 hrs
Unit 3	Geological Exploration/Prospecting: Importance of geological and different types of maps. Various geological criteria for the identification of mineral deposits. Indications of ore body. Different methods of geological prospecting/exploration.	6 hrs
Unit 4	Geochemical and bio-geobotanical methods exploration: Geochemical and biogeochemical indicators of economically important ore deposits. Techniques of mineral exploration. Geobotanical prospecting: Importance of plants in identifying the ore deposits.	8 hrs

ENGINEERING GEOLOGY

Unit 5	Geological studies and evaluation in planning, design and construction of major civil structures. Engineering properties of rocks. Concepts of rock mechanics and soil mechanics. Physical characteristics of building materials.	6 hrs
Unit 6	Resource evaluation of construction materials. Geological investigations for dams, reservoirs and spillways, tunnels, underground caverns, bridges, highways and tunnels. Problems of groundwater in engg. projects. Remedial measures.	8 hrs

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