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EAL 337 PAVEMENT ENGINEERING

SEMESTER I [SESSION 2021/2022]

ASSIGNMENT 2

Question 1

[a] Based on the given flexible pavement structure below, compute the pavement thickness if a full depth perpetual pavement were to be constructed



 $\begin{array}{l} SN_1=2.5;\,a_1=0.40\\ SN_2=3.7;\,a_2=0.25;\,m_2=0.7\\ SN_3=4.8;\,a_3=0.15;\,m_3=0.7 \end{array}$

| Reliability | = | 75% |
|-------------------------|---|---------------|
| So | = | 0.49 |
| ΔPSI | = | 2.5 |
| ESALs | = | $20 \ge 10^6$ |
| Subgrade M _R | = | 9ksi |

[12 Marks]

[b] As an engineer of MHA, you are appointed to design a road pavement for a highway with an average daily traffic based on Highway Planning Unit (HPU) survey of 1250 vehicles, with 20% of which are commercial vehicles with un-laden weight > 1.5 tons. The following additional information is available:

| Lane distribution factor $(L) = 1.0$ | Subgrade properties: | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Terrain factor $(T) = 1.0$ | CBR mean $= 18.9\%$ | |
| Design life = 20 years (Urban) | CBR standard deviation $= 4.7\%$ | |
| Annual traffic growth $= 4.5\%$ | Normal deviate $= 1.342$ | |

State all other assumptions made.

- i. Determine the traffic category and the subgrade category based on the available information
- ii. Select and explain the chosen pavement structure,

[13 Marks]

Question 2 [20 Marks]

[a] Driving comfort is greatly influenced by the pavement performance. Explain **THREE (3)** factors that affect the performance of the flexible pavement

[6 Marks]

[b]. With the aid of sketches, specify **THREE (3)** types of distress in the flexible pavement, and explain the probable cause for these distresses to manifest.

[9 Marks]