GLOSSARY

Fine Aggregate - or Sand -

Sand is a naturally occurring granular material composed of finely divided rock and mineral particles. It is defined by size, being finer than gravel and coarser than silt

Bulking of sand -

The increase in moisture of sand increases the volume of sand. The reason is that moisture causes film of water around sand particles which results in the increase of volume of sand. For a moisture content percentage of 5 to 8 there will be an increase in volume up to 20 to 40 percent depending upon sand. If the sand is finer there will be more increase in volume. This is known as bulking of sand.

Coarse Aggregate -

It is the aggregate most of which is retained on 4.75 mm IS sieve and contains only so much finer material as is permitted by specification.

Gradation -

Particle size distribution of the various aggregates is called as gradation. The sieve analysis is conducted to determine the gradations