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END SEMESTER EXAMINATION –2022

Semester : 5th(New)

Subject Code : El/Me/Au/IPE-505

NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY

Full Marks – 70

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions.

Instructions :

1. All questions of PART-A are compulsory.
2. Answer any five questions from PART-B .

PART – A

Marks – 25

1. Choose the correct answers from the following :

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(i) Which of the following is the local name of biogas in rural areas ?

(a) Marsh gas (b) Wood gas
(c) Gobar gas (d) Water gas

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(ii) Renewable energy is called 'green power' because

- (a) It does not produce any harmful pollutants
- (b) It is green in colour
- (c) It is only produced from green plants
- (d) None of the above

(iii) Which of the following is a biodegradable waste ?

- (a) Vegetable and fruit peel
- (b) Silver foil
- (c) Detergent
- (d) Rubber

(iv) In a box type solar cooker the box is covered with

- (a) Double glass layer
- (b) Single glass layer
- (c) Triple glass layer
- (d) None of the above

(v) The solar cooker normally used in houses is known as

- (a) Box-type solar cooker
- (b) Dish-type solar cooker
- (c) Reflector-type solar cooker
- (d) Circular solar cooker

(vi) Horizontal-axis wind mills of modern design can

- (a) always turn to face wind
- (b) not adjust its output
- (c) not turn to winds directions
- (d) not turn to face wind

(vii) Which is the most common material used for making solar cells ?

- (a) Silver
- (b) Iron
- (c) Aluminium
- (d) Silicon

(viii) Biogas contains approximately

- (a) 30% methane and 60% carbon-dioxide
- (b) 2% methane and 98% carbon-dioxide
- (c) 55% methane and 40% carbon-dioxide
- (d) 80% methane and 20% carbon-dioxide

(ix) Electrical output of a solar cell depends on

- (a) Intensity of solar radiation
- (b) Heat component of solar radiation
- (c) UV component of solar radiation
- (d) MIR component of solar radiation

(x) The optimal pH for biogas production ranges between

- (a) 2.3 and 4.5 (b) 5 and 5.6
- (c) 8 and 9.5 (d) 6.8 and 7.2

(xi) Large amount of solar energy is stored in the oceans and seas. The process of harnessing this energy is called

- (a) OTEC (ocean thermal energy conversion)
- (b) OTC (ocean thermal conversion)
- (c) OSTEC (ocean and sea thermal energy conversion)
- (d) STEC (sea thermal energy conversion)

(xii) Gasification of biomass is which type of conversion process ?

- (a) Chemical
- (b) Biological
- (c) Biochemical
- (d) Thermo-chemical

(xiii) Wind turbines are controlled by

- (a) Built-on computer
- (b) An operator
- (c) Electricity board
- (d) None of the above

(xiv) The value of solar constant is about

- (a) 6.5 kW/m^2
- (b) 1.36 kW/m^2
- (c) 10 kW/m^2
- (d) 3.64 kW/m^2

(xv) Important factors for biogas production are

- (a) pH
- (b) C/N ratio
- (c) Temperature
- (d) All of these

2. Fill in the blanks :

$1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) Deenbandhu design of biogas plant was developed by _____.
- (b) KVIC design of biogas plant was developed in _____.
- (c) Solar energy moves through space to the earth by _____.
- (d) Solar photovoltaic cells convert solar energy directly into _____ energy.
- (e) Ethanol can be blended with _____ for use in engines.

3. State true or false :

$1 \times 5 = 5$

- (a) Greenhouse gases responsible for global warming.
- (b) The heat from the interior of the earth that can be utilized as source of energy is called tidal energy.
- (c) Carbon monoxide has a major share in biogas.
- (d) The materials that do not decay and remain in the environment are called bio-degradable.
- (e) Solar lantern is a fixed-type solar lighting system.

PART – B

Marks – 45

- 4. (a) Differentiate between conventional and non-conventional energy with examples. 2
- (b) What is a solar constant ? 2
- (c) Explain the operation of a solar cooker with the help of a neat sketch. 5

5. (a) What is solar insolation ? 2

(b) Write notes on Vertical axis and Horizontal axis wind turbines. 3

(c) Describe with a neat sketch the working of Wind Energy Conversion System (WECS). 4

6. (a) What is meant by anaerobic digestion ? 2

(b) What are the different forms of biomass conversion ? 2

(c) Explain the constructional detail and working of Pragati biogas plant. 5

7. (a) What are the advantages and disadvantages of a fuel cell ? 3

(b) What are the main components of a Tidal Power Plant ? 3

(c) Write the different applications of Hydrogen energy. 3

8. (a) What is a thermoelectric power generator ?

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(b) Write notes on thermo-ionic emission and work function. 3

(c) Describe an MHD open cycle system. 4

9. (a) What are the geothermal energy sources ?

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(b) What are the applications of geothermal energy ? 2

(c) Explain with block diagram the working of an open cycle OTEC plant. 5