# M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER - 2022

### Third Semester

# **Energy Science**

#### HYDROGEN ENERGY SYSTEMS

(CBCS - 2019 onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Maximum: 75 Marks

**Part A**  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

- 1. What is water gas shift reaction?
- 2. Give any two projected uses of hydrogen
- 3. How is hydrogen used as biomass fuel?
- 4. What is meant by autothermal gasification?
- 5. Define electrolyzer. How is it used in water splitting process?
- 6. What is the challenge occurred in Photoelectrochemical (PEC) water splitting?
- 7. How are fuel cells classified?
- 8. What is fuel cell? Is a fuel cell safe?
- 9. What is clathrate hydrates?
- 10. What are physical and chemical storages of hydrogen gas?

Part B  $(5 \times 5 = 25)$ 

Answer all questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Comment on Hydrogen as fuel for the future.

Or

- (b) Explain the principle and working of membrane reactors.
- 12. (a) Explain the production of hydrogen from photobiogical method.

Or

- (b) Explain the role of sulphur in the production of hydrogen.
- 13. (a) Write a note on direct hydrogen production.

Or

- (b) Explain the working of photovoltaic cell.
- 14. (a) Write short notes on direct methanol fuel cell.

Or

- (b) Illustrate the principle and working of acid fuel cell.
- 15. (a) Discuss the hydrogen storage by chemical method using amine complexes.

Or

(b) Write a note on stationary hydrogen storage.

**Part C**  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$ 

Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. (a) What are membranes? How are they classified? How is it used in gas separation process?
  - (b) Discuss the characteristics of steam reforming process. (5+5)

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- 17. Describe the different biochemical pathways of production of hydrogen.
- 18. With a neat diagram, explain the construction and working of photo-electrochemical cells.
- 19. (a) What are the main benefits of direct borohydride fuel cell?
  - (b) Discuss the applications of fuel cells. (5+5)
- 20. Discuss the various chemical storages of hydrogen.

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#### WIND AND HYDRO ENERGY

(CBCS - 2019 onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Maximum: 75 Marks

**Part A**  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

- 1. Define wind energy.
- 2. What is meant by Coriolis force?
- 3. What are the advantages of Onshore wind turbines over offshore wind turbines?
- 4. What are the disadvantages of wind energy system?
- 5. Where are the hydropower plants located?
- 6. Name any four major Hydro Power Plants (producing more than 100 MW) in India.
- 7. What are the branches of hydrology?
- 8. What are the advantages of tidal energy?
- 9. Mention the uses of Surge tank.
- 10. Write any four parameters to improve the power efficiency using design documents.

Part B  $(5 \times 5 = 25)$ 

Answer all questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Write a note on cube of wind energy.

Or

- (b) What is air density? How does it vary with humidity and pressure?
- 12. (a) Write a note on wind power markets.

Or

- (b) What is grid in wind energy? How do wind turbine connected to the grid? Explain.
- 13. (a) Explain the layout and working of mini hydro electric systems.

Or

- (b) How is hydropower system classified? Explain with suitable diagram.
- 14. (a) How is available power calculated from Hydro power plants?

Or

- (b) Write a note on Ocean current power plants.
- 15. (a) Illustrate the cost model of designing power plant.

Or

(b) What are the essential elements of hydro electric power plant?

**Part C**  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$ 

Answer any three questions.

- 16. (a) Explain the different types of propellers.
  - (b) Discuss the relationship between wind turbine blade efficiency and power. (5+5)

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- 17. (a) Illustrate the ecological ill-effect of wind energy system.
  - (b) Discuss the planning and commissioning of wind farm designing. (4+6)
- 18. Describe the status of hydro electric systems in India and world wide.
- 19. Discuss the outlook and development potential of hydro electric power systems.
- 20. (a) Write a note on potential of hydro power in north east India.
  - (b) Explain the procedures involved to select the site for hydro power system. (5+5)

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### SOLAR THERMAL ENERGY

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Time: 3 Hours Maximum: 75 Marks

**Part A**  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

- 1. How do you calculate solar insolation?
- 2. What is solar radiation? How much solar radiation reaches the earth?
- 3. What are the different thermodynamic cycles?
- 4. What are the four process of Carnot cycle?
- 5. What is solar collector? Which solar collector is more efficient?
- 6. What are the important aspects of solar collector system?
- 7. What is solar thermal system? Mention their types.
- 8. Define solar drying.
- 9. Can solar power heat your home?
- 10. Do solar water heaters work on cloudy days?

Part B

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$ 

Answer all questions choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Using a neat diagram, explain the working of pyranometer.

Or

- (b) Explain the principle underlying the measuring of scattering radiation.
- 12. (a) Write a note on Brayton cycle.

Or

- (b) Explain the working of solar thermal power plant.
- 13. (a) Distinguish between Solar Panels and Solar Collectors.

Or

- (b) Explain the working of Flat plate collectors.
- 14. (a) What is the principle of active solar heating? How does it differ from passive solar heating?

Or

- (b) Write a note on solar communities.
- 15. (a) Discuss the mechanical specification employed in solar panel.

Or

(b) Illustrate the development of solar thermal market in India.

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**Part C**  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$ 

## Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. (a) What is Sun Shine? How does the sunshine recorder work?
  - (b) Write a note on depletion of solar radiation. (5 + 5)
- 17. (a) How does Rankine cycle power plant work?
  - (b) Write a note on solar pond based electric power plant. (5+5)
- 18. Describe the principle and construction of air based collector with a neat diagram.
- 19. Explain the following with suitable diagrams
  - (a) Solar cooker
  - (b) Domestic water heater.
- 20. Discuss the Ecological and economical aspects of solar energy use.

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#### ADVANCED INSTRUMENTAL METHODS OF ANALYSIS

(CBCS - 2019 onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Maximum: 75 Marks

**Part A**  $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

- 1. Differentiate atomic spectroscopy and molecular spectroscopy.
- 2. Write any three applications of Atomic absorption Spectroscopy.
- 3. What is the principle of UV Spectroscopy?
- 4. Define SERS.
- 5. What is electrolysis?
- 6. What is analyte? Give an example.
- 7. What are the applications of EDAX?
- 8. Distinguish between STM and TEM.
- 9. Define TGA. What are the applications of TGA?
- 10. List various methods of thermal analysis.

Part B

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$ 

Answer all questions choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Explain the working of Atomic Fluorescence Spectroscopy with suitable sketch.

Or

- (b) Discuss about X-ray Fluorescence methods.
- 12. (a) Explain UV absorption spectroscopy with suitable sketch.

Or

- (b) Write a note on:
  - (i) Raman Spectroscopy
  - (ii) FTIR.
- 13. (a) What is potentiometry? Write down the applications of potentiometry.

Or

- (b) Describe the working of cyclic voltammetry.
- 14. (a) Write the working and applications of Scanning Tunneling, Microscopy (STM).

Or

- (b) Discuss the working principle XRD.
- 15. (a) Explain the concept of micro thermal analysis.

Or

(b) Write a note on Thermo Gravimetric Analysis (TGA).

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**Part C**  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$ 

### Answer any **three** questions.

- 16. With suitable diagram, explain construction, working and applications of Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy.
- 17. Discuss the working and applications of Fourier transform Infra-red Spectroscopy with suitable sketch.
- 18. Describe the working principle of Electrochemical Impedance Spectroscopy.
- 19. Write a note on:
  - (a) Scanning Electron Microscopy
  - (b) Transmission Electron Microscopy.
- 20. Explain Differential Scanning Calorimetry (DSC) with suitable sketch. State the limitations of DSC.