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NON-CONVENTIONAL SOURCES OF ENERGY

(Common to CE, ECE, MIE, PTM)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

Note: i) Question paper consists of Part A, Part B.

ii) Part A is compulsory, which carries 25 marks. In Part A, Answer all questions.

iii) In Part B, Answer any one question from each unit. Each question carries 10 marks and may have a, b as sub questions.

PART – A

(25 Marks)

- 1.a) If the energy received by 7m^2 area in 5 minutes is 3000 kj, calculate the value of solar constant. [2]
- b) Why is collecting solar radiation data important? [3]
- c) Distinguish between sensible heat and latent heat. [2]
- d) What are the properties of various layers situated in a solar pond? [3]
- e) Write the differences between biomass and biogas. [2]
- f) Name the various factors that affect bio-digestion. [3]
- g) List the different types of geothermal wells. [2]
- h) What is the site selection criteria for setting up an OTEC plant? [3]
- i) Give the working principle of direct energy conversion system. [2]
- j) What are the advantages of using fuel cells? [3]

PART – B

(50 Marks)

- 2.a) Name some important renewable energy sources and tell about their role in India.
 - b) How is solar radiation being measured? Explain. [5+5]
- OR**
- 3.a) List the components of a solar flat plate collector and explain their operations.
 - b) Enumerate different types of concentrating collectors. [5+5]
- 4.a) Give the basic working principle of a photovoltaic energy conversion system.
 - b) How does a solar distillation plant work? [5+5]
- OR**
- 5.a) Wind Energy is the important renewable energy source in India. Analyze it.
 - b) Why in urban areas vertical axis wind turbines are chosen? Explain. [5+5]
- 6.a) State the principle and operation of the bio conversion system.
 - b) With a neat diagram explain the operation of any one of the biogas digesters. [5+5]
- OR**
- 7.a) How can biogas be utilized for the operation of IC engines? Explain.
 - b) Write briefly about the economic aspect of biogas. [5+5]

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- 8.a) Does geothermal energy have a potential future in India? Justify your answer.
b) Explain in detail about the operation of a OTEC plant.

[5+5]

OR

- 9.a) What do you know about the generation of electricity from ocean waves?
b) Analyze the operation of small hydro plants in-terms of economics.

[5+5]

- 10.a) Why is there a need for a direct energy conversion system? Explain.
b) How do thermoelectric generators work? Explain.

[5+5]

OR

- 11.a) With a neat diagram, explain the working of MHD generators.
b) Write a note on the selection of fuels for fuel cells.

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