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NON-CONVENTIONAL SOURCES OF ENERGY

(Common to EEE, CSE, IT, ITE)

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) What is the role of solar energy in renewable energy sources? [2]
- b) Give the environmental impact of solar power generation. [3]
- c) What is latent heat and give its importance? [2]
- d) Define Betz constant and give its range in wind power generation. [3]
- e) Give the basic principle of bio mass energy conversion. [2]
- f) List out the economic aspects of bio mass energy. [3]
- g) Give various methods of harnessing the geothermal energy. [2]
- h) Define Tidal and Wave energy of power generation. [3]
- i) What are Thermo-electric generators? [2]
- j) What is the function of MHD accelerator in direct energy conversion? [3]

PART – B

(50 Marks)

- 2.a) Define solar constant. Give the differences between extraterrestrial and terrestrial solar radiations.
- b) Discuss about the depletion process of solar radiation as it passes through the atmosphere to reach at the surface of the earth. [5+5]

OR

- 3.a) Define solar radiation and solar irradiance. How does the irradiance depend on the wavelength of the radiation?
- b) Get the empirical equation for estimating the monthly average of daily global radiation on a tilted surface. [5+5]

OR

- 4.a) Discuss briefly about solar absorption cooling system using a simple block diagram.
 - b) Briefly explain the working of a forced circulation solar water heater. [5+5]
- 5.a) Give the salient features of Horizontal axis wind turbines and Vertical axis wind turbines.
 - b) Write a short note on wind energy potential in India and its growth scenario. [5+5]

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- 6.a) With the help of neat diagram, discuss about any one type of biogas plant.
b) Explain the role of bio-gas in internal combustion engines. [5+5]

OR

- 7.a) Give the major advantages and disadvantages of bio-mass energy. Explain the process of photosynthesis.
b) What is anaerobic fermentation and give its advantages. [5+5]

- 8.a) What are hot spots and what is its importance in harnessing Geo-thermal energy?
b) What is the principle in guiding the location of a geothermal power station? [5+5]

OR

- 9.a) Give different types of geothermal resources? Discuss the prospect of geothermal energy.
b) With a neat sketch, explain the operation of a geothermal power plant. [5+5]

- 10.a) Derive the expression for emf, free energy, potential, power output and efficiency of a fuel cell and give its applications.
b) Discuss about the thermodynamic aspects of direct energy conversion. [5+5]

OR

- 11.a) Write a short note on Carnot cycle and its importance in DEC.
b) Draw the performance characteristics of hydrogen-oxygen fuel cell. [5+5]

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