GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

BE- SEMESTER-VII (NEW) EXAMINATION – WINTER 2024

Subject Code:3170116 Date:07-12-2024

Subject Name:Solar and wind Energy

Time:10:30 AM TO 01:00 PM Total Marks:70

Instructions:

- 1. Attempt all questions.
- 2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
- 3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- 4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.

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| Q.1 | (a) (b) | State advantages and limitations of Renewable Energy. Define solar altitude angle, solar zenith angle, solar azimuth angle and declination angle. | 03 04 |
| | (c) | With a neat sketch explain the solar still. | 07 |
| Q.2 | (a) (b) (c) | With a neat sketch, explain working of sunshine recorder. Explain criteria for site selection of wind energy conversion system. Discuss present energy scenario of renewable sources in India. What are the initiatives taken by Government of India to develop RE sources? | 03 04 07 |
| | (c) | OR Describe working of a flat plate collector using air as working fluid with | 07 |
| | (C) | a neat sketch. | U7 |
| Q.3 | (a) (b) (c) | Compare solar flat plate and concentric collectors. Explain basic operational principles of solar cell. What is an hour angle? Determine the number of daylight hours in Gandhinagar on 22 December 2023, take latitude = 23 ° 23'N. | 03 04 07 |
| | | OR | |
| Q.3 | (a) (b) (c) | Write a Short note on Solar Refrigeration system. Explain the working of solar drying system with neat sketch. Also discuss the advantages. With neat sketch explain solar heating system using water heating solar collectors. What are advantages and disadvantages of this system? | 03 04 07 |
| Q.4 | (a) (b) (c) | Define following terms: Annual cost, present worth value, life cycle cost. Define following terms: Payback period, Inflation, benefit cost ratio How solar radiations are measured? Explain construction and working of Pyranometer with neat sketch. | 03 04 07 |
| | | OR | |
| Q.4 | (a) (b) (c) | Explain working of solar cooker. Describe classification of wind power plants. What is Betz limit? Prove that maximum power coefficient is Cp = 0.593 | 03 04 07 |
| Q.5 | (a) (b) (c) | Explain in brief passive solar heating system. Advantages of photovoltaic solar energy conversion. Give step by step procedure for the design of a solar photovoltaic power plant. | 03 04 07 |

OR

| Q.5 | (a) | Explain the different heat losses in Flat plate Collector. | 03 |
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| | (b) | With neat sketch explain drag and lift forces in wind power generation. | 04 |
| | (c) | What are solar ponds? Discuss the working of a solar pond with help of a | 07 |
| | | neat sketch. | |
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