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**GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY**  
**Bachelor of Engineering - SEMESTER - VI EXAMINATION - SUMMER 2025**

**Subject Code: 3160511**

**Date: 28-05-2025**

**Subject Name: Polymer Science and Technology**

**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.**

	<b>Marks</b>
<b>Q.1 (a)</b> Define: (i) Monomer (ii) Polymer (iii) Kinetic chain length of polymer	<b>03</b>
<b>(b)</b> State examples and explain applications of polymers in chemical industries	<b>04</b>
<b>(c)</b> Compare step growth and chain growth polymerization reactions.	<b>07</b>
<b>Q.2 (a)</b> Enlist important steps involved in blow molding	<b>03</b>
<b>(b)</b> Differentiate amorphous and crystalline polymers	<b>04</b>
<b>(c)</b> Construct a neat labelled diagram and explain working of injection molding machine.	<b>07</b>
<b>OR</b>	
<b>(c)</b> Justify why compounding and additives are used in polymer processing?	<b>07</b>
<b>Q.3 (a)</b> What are different mechanisms of addition polymerization ?	<b>03</b>
<b>(b)</b> Classify polymers based on source and their end use applications.	<b>04</b>
<b>(c)</b> Derive equation for rate of polymerization of free radical polymerization.	<b>07</b>
<b>OR</b>	
<b>(a)</b> What are the block and graft co-polymers?	<b>03</b>
<b>(b)</b> Outline advantages and disadvantages of emulsion polymerization.	<b>04</b>
<b>(c)</b> Illustrate solution polymerization in detail.	<b>07</b>
<b>Q.4 (a)</b> List unit operations involved in polymer industries.	<b>03</b>
<b>(b)</b> Summarize different types of polymers based on their thermal behavior.	<b>04</b>
<b>(c)</b> Describe steps involved in polymer synthesis via condensation polymerization reaction.	<b>07</b>
<b>OR</b>	
<b>(a)</b> What is degree of polymerization and functionality?	<b>03</b>
<b>(b)</b> What is the chemical formula of following polymers? (i) Nylon 6,6 (ii) Polystyrene (iii) Polyvinyl chloride (iv) Polyethylene	<b>04</b>
<b>(c)</b> Describe steps involved in polymer synthesis via anionic polymerization reaction.	<b>07</b>

- Q.5 (a)** Identify important features of suspension polymerization. **03**
- (b)** Explain number average and weight average molecular weight of polymers. **04**
- (c)** Appraise viscometry method to determine average molecular weight of polymers. **07**

**OR**

- (a)** Outline applications of polymer processing method 'calendaring'. **03**
- (b)** Classify polymer degradation methods. **04**
- (c)** Illustrate the environmental impact of polymer degradation. **07**

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