

**BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI
(END SEMESTER EXAMINATION)**

**CLASS: IMSC
BRANCH: PHYSICS**

**SEMESTER : III
SESSION : MO/2022**

SUBJECT: SEC307 RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY HARVESTING (REEH)

TIME: 3:00 Hours

FULL MARKS: 50

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 10 marks and total 50 marks.
 2. Attempt all questions.
 3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
 4. Before attempting the question paper, be sure that you have got the correct question paper.
 5. Tables/Data hand book/Graph paper etc. to be supplied to the candidates in the examination hall.
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- Q.1(a) What are the main advantages of renewable energy sources over non-renewable sources? [CO1] [BL2] [2]
Q.1(b) Briefly discuss the primary and secondary energy sources with examples. [CO1] [BL2] [3]
Q.1(c) Name a few of the renewable energy sources available. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of fossil fuels (at least three). [CO1] [BL2] [5]
- Q.2(a) Briefly describe the principle of working of a solar cell. [CO2] [BL2] [2]
Q.2(b) Draw the typical current-voltage and power-voltage characteristics of a single crystalline silicon solar cell. [CO2] [BL3] [3]
Q.2(c) Define and indicate the open circuit voltage and short circuit current in the above plot. Define the fill factor. [CO2] [BL3] [5]
- Q.3(a) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of tidal power. [CO3] [BL2] [2]
Q.3(b) Consider a tide with the tidal range of 10 m and the surface of the tidal energy harnessing plant of area 9 km². Calculate the total potential energy per day and average power generated. Assume the density of sea water and the power efficiency conversion to be 1025 kg/m³ and 30%, respectively. [CO3] [BL3] [3]
Q.3(c) Deep water ocean waves on an Indian coast had an amplitude of 1.2 m with a period of 6 s measured at the surface water 110 m deep. Taking water density as 1025 kg/m³, calculate the following: The (i) wavelength, (ii) wave velocity, (iii) energy density, and (iv) power density of the wave. [CO3] [BL3] [5]
- Q.4(a) Explain the direct and the converse piezoelectric effects. [CO4] [BL2] [2]
Q.4(b) Based on the structural configurations what are the different designs of piezoelectric nanogenerators (PENG)? Briefly discuss them (with schematics). [CO4] [BL3] [3]
Q.4(c) Mention applications of piezoelectric energy harvesting in healthcare. What are the parameters/constants which affect the performance of any piezoelectric material? Briefly discuss two of them. [CO4] [BL2] [5]
- Q.5(a) Discuss the basic principle on which all electromagnetic generators work. [CO5] [BL2] [2]
Q.5(b) Discuss the factors on which the induced emf in electromagnetic generators depend. [CO5] [BL2] [3]
Q.5(c) What are the main components of a battery? What is the basic difference between a primary battery and a secondary battery? Discuss the factors affecting the battery's performance and life. [CO5] [BL2] [5]

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