

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

**CLASS: BTECH
BRANCH: ALL**

**SEMESTER : VII
SESSION : MO/2025**

SUBJECT: SR511 FUNDAMENTALS OF FUELS AND COMBUSTION

TIME: 3 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) | Why is a three blade configuration used in wind turbine instead of a one or two blade configuration? Explain with the help of diagrams. What are the advantages and disadvantages of using wind energy? | [5] | CO CO1 | BL L3 |
| Q.1(b) | What are the different types of sulphur present in coal? Explain in detail how sulphur is determined in coal. | [5] | CO | L2 |
| Q.2(a) | Why is bio-diesel a preferred renewable fuel in the diesel engine? How is bio-diesel prepared? What are the applications of the byproduct glycerin obtained from bio-diesel production? | [5] | CO2 | L2 |
| Q.2(b) | What is calorific value? Calculate calorific value using Dulong's formula. The elemental analysis of a coal of Assam coalfield is as follows in percentage: C (87.52), H (7.27), S (0.84), N (2.7). | [5] | CO2 | L3 |
| Q.3(a) | Discuss the requirement of adiabatic flame temperature? How is adiabatic flame temperature determined? Discuss the effect of equivalence ratio and pressure on the adiabatic flame temperature? | [5] | CO3 | L3 |
| Q.3(b) | A gas turbine engine operates at an equivalence ratio of 0.286 with an air flow rate of 15.9Kg/s. The equivalent composition of the fuel (natural gas) is $C_{1.16}H_{4.32}$. Determine the fuel mass flow rate and the operating air-fuel ratio for the engine. $MW_{air}=28.85\text{gms}$. | [5] | CO3 | L4 |
| Q.4(a) | What is a first order reaction? Explain with the help of an example. Derive the equation for rate constant and half-life of a first order reaction. | [5] | CO4 | L3 |
| Q.4(b) | Derive the Arrhenius equation. Explain the mechanism of chain reaction. | [5] | CO4 | L2 |
| Q.5(a) | Demonstrate the flame shape when a flame travels through a tube using a diagram. Discuss how the direction of flame travel affects the flame shape and velocity. | [5] | CO5 | L3 |
| Q.5(b) | Illustrate the various methods for determination of flame front. | [5] | CO5 | L2 |

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