

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

CLASS: MSC/IMSC
BRANCH: MGI/BT/MATHS

SEMESTER : II/VIII
SESSION : SP/2024

SUBJECT: CE578 WASTE MANAGEMENT

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) | Discuss the main characteristics of the municipal solid wastes. | [5] | 1 2 |
| Q.1(b) | Determine the municipal solid waste's average density and moisture content for the given data set. | [5] | 1 4 |

Description	Weight, %	Typical density, kg/m ³	Moisture, %
Food wastes	39.5.	290	70
Yard wastes	3.8	240	60
Paper	0.85	85	6
Plastic	0.7	65	2
Glass/ceramic	0.5	195	2
Metal	0.65	160	2
Textile	2	65	8
Leather	2.5	160	10
Stone/brick	40.5	480	10
Misc	9	240	8

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| Q.2(a) | Discuss biological treatment methods of hazardous waste management. | [5] | 2 2 |
| Q.2(b) | Discuss hazardous waste's environmental and health effects considering toxicity, LD ₅₀ , LC ₅₀ , and other parameters. | [5] | 2 3 |
| Q.3(a) | Discuss the biomedical waste types and their legal aspects per Biomedical Waste (Management and Handling) Rules 1998, 2016. | [5] | 2 3 |
| Q.3(b) | Discuss the treatment and disposal options for biomedical wastes with respect to their categories. | [5] | 2 3 |
| Q.4(a) | The garden trim will be composted with activated sludge from the sewage treatment plant. The composition of yard waste and that of the sludge are as follows: | [5] | 2 4 |

Components	C/N ratio	Moisture (%)	N (%)
Garden trim	50	60	1
Sludge	6	85	6

Determine the garden trim and activated sludge proportions to achieve a blended C/N ratio of 30.

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| Q.4(b) | Determine the amount of oxygen required to oxidise 1000 kg of MSW through composting completely. The chemical composition of wastes is C ₆₀ H ₉₅ O ₄₀ N. Air contains 23% of oxygen by weight. The density of air is 1.3 kg/m ³ . | [5] | 2 4 |
| Q.5(a) | Describe the aerobic suspended growth process considering the activated sludge process as an example with a neat, labelled flow diagram. | [5] | 2 3 |
| Q.5(b) | Describe the anaerobic suspended growth process using an up-flow anaerobic sludge blanket process. | [5] | 2 3 |