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INSTITUTE OF AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING

(Autonomous)

M.Tech I Semester End Examinations (Regular) - February, 2017

Regulation: IARE-R16

RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS

(Common to ES|(CAD/CAM)|STE)

Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 70

Answer ONE Question from each Unit

All Questions Carry Equal Marks

All parts of the question must be answered in one place only

UNIT – I

1. (a) Define solar radiation and electromagnetic spectrum. Explain how a solar cell works. [7M]
- (b) Taking a solar power content of 1 W/cm^2 at the space-station location, calculate the area of solar panels required at 20 efficiency of conversion for powers of 2000 MW, 2400 MW, 35000 MW and 70000 MW. [7M]
2. (a) Write about reflection and anti-reflection coating. [7M]
- (b) The reflection coefficients of some semiconductors are: $\text{Te} = 0.28$, $\text{CdTe} = 0.19$. Calculate the indices of refraction for them. [7M]

UNIT – II

3. (a) Write elaborately on Magneto Hydro Dynamic (MHD) generator, explaining its parts. [7M]
- (b) An MHD duct has the dimensions, $w=0.59\text{m}$, $h=0.34\text{m}$ and $l=1.69\text{m}$ (Volume = 0.339m^3). The magnetic field strength is $B=3.9\text{T}$ along h , and the gas velocity is $u=550/\text{s}$ along l . At a performance coefficient of $K=0.60$, calculate: [7M]
 - i. Generated voltage and its gradient E_1 inside the duct;
 - ii. Load voltage and the gradient E caused by it inside the duct.
4. (a) Write in detail types of wind turbines highlighting their classification. [7M]
- (b) The undisturbed wind speed at a location is $v_i=35$ mile/hr, the speed at turbine rotor is 65% of this value and the speed at exit is 32% of v_i . The rotor diameter is 10m. $\rho = 1.297\text{kg/m}^3$. Calculate: [7M]
 - i. v_i in m/s.
 - ii. Power available in undisturbed wind at the turbine rotor
 - iii. Power in the wind at outlet
 - iv. Power developed by turbine
 - v. the value of C_p .

UNIT – III

5. (a) What are the generating modes with respect to a tidal project? [7M]
- (b) A tidal project has installed capacity of 3000MW in 64 units each of 34MW rated output. The head at rated output is 5.52m. The embankment is 4 miles long = 6.4km. Again assume 95% efficiency for both turbine and generator. The generation is 5 hours twice a day. Calculate [7M]
- The quantity of water flowing through each turbine & total flow out of the tidal basin.
 - The surface area of the reservoir behind the embankment and the wash.
 - Energy produced in TW-h per year.
6. (a) Write short notes on following types of Open Thermal Energy Conversion Schemes: [7M]
- Closed-Cycle System
 - Open Cycle System
- (b) A tidal power station has 34 generators each of 10 MW operating at a maximum head of 13.5 m. It generates for two 6-hour periods per day. Calculate the basin capacity in m^3 , and annual energy production. Again assume 93% efficiencies. [7M]

UNIT – IV

7. (a) Write about coal gasification with special reference to Lurgi's coal gasification. [7M]
- (b) What is meant by thermo-chemical gasification and list out gasification steps. [7M]
8. (a) Discuss about Global Energy Position. [7M]
- (b) Write briefly about the pollution-free energy systems. [7M]

UNIT – V

9. (a) After listing the types of fuel cells write about: [7M]
- Polymer Electrolyte Membrane Fuel Cells (PEMFC)
 - Direct Methanol Fuel Cells (DMFC)
- (b) Explain Hydrogen-Oxygen Fuel cells with the help of a neat and labeled diagram. [7M]
10. (a) Write about the various applications of fuel cells with respect to their power. [7M]
- (b) Discuss Li-ion batteries as a feasible ones for large scale power application and briefly write about its disadvantages. [7M]