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Eighth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2018/Jan.2019
Bio – Mass Energy System

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting atleast TWO questions from each part.
2. Missing data may suitably be assumed.

PART – A

1.
 - a. What is meant by Biomass? What are the various biomass energy sources? Explain with suitable examples. (08 Marks)
 - b. Write short notes on : i) Photosynthesis ii) Energy plantation. (06 Marks)
 - c. Discuss the Energy context of various bio-fuels. (06 Marks)
2.
 - a. With the help of flow chart, explain the methods of biomass conversion and the possible products from them. (10 Marks)
 - b. Explain with necessary sketches / block diagram about Pelletization process. (06 Marks)
 - c. What are the advantages and disadvantages of biological conversion of solar energy? (04 Marks)
3.
 - a. Explain with necessary sketch / block diagram about the briquetting process. (06 Marks)
 - b. Enumerate few practical thermal application of Bio - Mass. (06 Marks)
 - c. Explain pyrolysis in detail and the various steps and products involved in it. (08 Marks)
4.
 - a. Sketch and explain the working of a Gasifier – Engine Generator System. (08 Marks)
 - b. How gasifiers are classified? Explain the working of a down draft gasifier with necessary chemical reactions and sketch. (08 Marks)
 - c. Give the composition of producer gas. Also state its calorific value. (04 Marks)

PART – B

5.
 - a. What is meant by Anaerobic digestion? What are the advantages of anaerobic digestion. (06 Marks)
 - b. Draw a neat sketch of a KVIC digester. Explain its construction and working. (10 Marks)
 - c. Name the 8 factors influencing the production of biogas. (04 Marks)
6.
 - a. Calculate : i) The volume of biogas digester suitable for the output of (5) five cows. ii) The power available Retention period is 20 days. Temperature is 30⁰C , dry matter consumed 2kg/day. Biogas yield is 0.24m³/kg. Burner efficiency is 0.6, Methane proportion is 0.8. Calorific value of methane 28MJ/m³. Density of dry matter is fluid 50kg/m³. (08 Marks)
 - b. Explain the method of producing ethanol from wood and sugarcane with the help of a block diagram. (08 Marks)
 - c. What are the modification to be made in an engine using ethanol as alternate on fuel? (04 Marks)

- 7 a. Discuss the method of production of Bio – diesel with the necessary reaction involved. Enumerate the factors affecting Bio-diesel production. (12 Marks)
- b. Enumerate the effects (at least 6) of the use of Bio – diesel in IC engines. (03 Marks)
- c. What is meant by GASHOL? What are its constituents? (05 Marks)
- 8 a. What are the thermodynamic cycles involved in Bio – Power generation? (02 Marks)
- b. With a neat T – S diagram, P – V diagram, explain the working of a Brayton cycle with necessary expressions. (08 Marks)
- c. With a neat sketch, explain the working of a MSW plant and state the Thermo – dynamic cycle in which it works with T – S and P – V diagram, with necessary expressions. (10 Marks)
