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Third Semester B.Arch. Degree Examination, June/July 2025
Climatology

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 Explain how weather data is recorded by a weather station, supported with sketches. (20 Marks)

OR

- 2 Define thermal comfort. Discuss various thermal comfort indices with relevant parameters and applications in architectural design. (20 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 Illustrate and explain the sun path diagram and its components. Also, explain the method of computing solar altitude and azimuth for a given date and time. (20 Marks)

OR

- 4 Write short note on:
 a. Modes of heat transfer in buildings.
 b. Concept and significance of SOL-Air temperature
 c. Solar Heat Gain Factor (SHGF) and its role
 d. Over heated and underheated period. (20 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 Calculate the U-value of a composite wall using the given material properties.
 • Brick – 0.20 m thick – 0.72 k, w/m-k Thermal conductivity
 • Insulation – 0.05 m thick – 0.025 (k, w/m-k) Thermal conductivity
 • Plaster (inside) – 0.015 thick – 0.22 (k, w/m-k) Thermal conductivity
 • Outside surface resistance – 0.04 m².k/w
 • Inside surface resistance – 0.12 m².k/w (20 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Differentiate between steady state and periodic heat flow. (10 Marks)
 b. Define and differentiate thermal conductivity, resistivity, diffusivity and thermal capacity. Explain how they influence thermal performance of building materials. (10 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 Design and explain shading devices suitable for buildings in composite climates. Illustrate orientation-based strategies to minimize solar heat gain and optimize thermal comfort. (20 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
 2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.

OR

- 8 Explain the principles and function of natural ventilation in buildings. Discuss how stack effect influence air movement. (20 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 Explain the concept of daylight factor and its components. Discuss how north light and day lighting device contribute to lighting in buildings. (20 Marks)

OR

- 10 Explain the key design strategies for buildings in a hot dry climate. Discuss the role of form, orientation materials, openings in enhancing thermal comfort. (20 Marks)

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