

2022

**GREEN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY**

**Paper Code: PGET 101**

*Full Marks: 100*

Time: Three hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.*

*Answer all the questions.*

1. Answer **any fifteen (15)** of the following. [2 x 15=30]
- What are the major components of lignocellulosic biomass?
  - Write the most favorable C/N ratio range of feedstock for anaerobic digestion (AD). What is the effect of lower C/N ratio during AD process?
  - Write the four major gasification reactions?
  - Mention the main composition of producer gas.
  - Define the term 'pyrolysis'. What are the main product of this process?
  - What do you mean by the term 'ebb'? Define tidal range.
  - What are the spring and neap tides?
  - Mention any two factors that cause the wind.
  - What does the mechanical energy of a flowing fluid consist of? Express each term in an equation and explain. Which part of mechanical energy is used in wind power conversion?
  - What do you mean by Betz limit? What is its maximum value?
  - Mention any two names of a working fluid used in a geothermal binary cycle power plant.
  - An absorption refrigeration system provides 15 kW of cooling by receiving heat in the generator at a rate of 21 kW. What is the COP of this system?
  - What is the difference between a run-of-river plant and a waterwheel?
  - Draw a schematic diagram of a closed-cycle ocean thermal energy conversion plant.
  - Define the term 'solar constant'. What is its value?
  - What do you understand by the concentration factor (CR) of a concentrating solar collector? What is the physical meaning of the greater value of CR?
  - Define latitude ( $\phi$ ). What is the value of declination ( $\delta$ ) on 21<sup>st</sup> June and 21<sup>st</sup> March?
  - What is the value of extraterrestrial radiation on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2022?
2. Explain briefly **any four (4)** of the following. [5 x 4 = 20]
- The basic biochemical process of anaerobic digestion (AD).
  - First-generation ethanol production processes.

- c) Single Basin: single and double effect OTEC scheme.
- d) Geothermal base ammonia-water cooling system.
- e) Mechanism of solar radiation received at earth's surface.
- f) Low-temperature power generation cycle using liquid flat-plate collectors.

3. Answer **any five (5)** of the following. [8 x 5 =40]

- a) Determine the local apparent time (LAT) corresponding to 1430 h (IST) at Mumbai (19°07' N, 72°51' E) on June 21, 2021. In India, standard time is based on 82.50 °E.

**Hints.** Use the equation of time correction:

$$E = 229.18 [0.000075 + 0.001868 \cos B - 0.032077 \sin B - 0.014615 \cos 2B - 0.04089 \sin 2B]$$

Where,  $B = [(n-1) 360/365]$ ,  $n =$  Day of the year. [8]

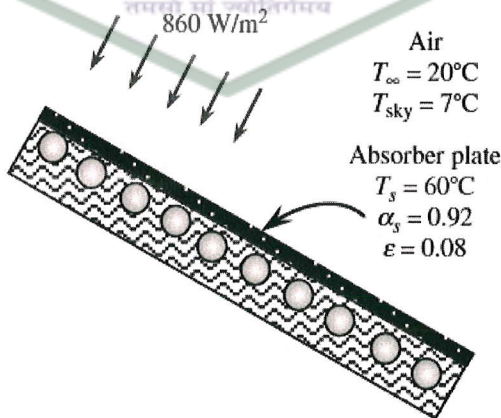
- b) Calculate the angle made by the beam radiation with the normal to a flat-plate collector on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 at 1000 h (LAT). The collector is located at CIT Kokrajhar (26°28' N, 90°18' E). It is tilted at an angle of 30° with the horizontal and is pointing due south. **Hints.** Use the following relation: [8]

$$\cos \theta = \sin \delta \sin(\phi - \beta) + \cos \delta \cos \omega \cos(\phi - \beta)$$

- c) i) Determine the average temperature of the sun using the following data: [3]

Radius of sun =  $0.619 \times 10^9$  m,  $I_{sc} = 1367$  W/m<sup>2</sup>  
 Mean earth distance =  $1.5 \times 10^{11}$  m,  $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8}$  W/m<sup>2</sup>.K<sup>4</sup>

- ii) The absorber surface of a solar collector is made of aluminium coated with black nickel oxide ( $\alpha_s = 0.92$  and  $\epsilon = 0.08$ ). Solar radiation is incident on the surface at a rate of 860 W/m<sup>2</sup>. The air and the effective sky temperatures are 20 and 7 °C, respectively, and the convection heat transfer coefficient is 15 W/m<sup>2</sup>.K. For an absorber surface temperature of 60 °C, determine the net rate of solar energy delivered by the absorber plate to the water circulating behind it. [5]



- d) A single basin type tidal power plant has a basin area of 3 km<sup>2</sup>. The tide has an average range of 10 m. Power is generated during the ebb cycle only. The turbine stops operating when the head on it falls below 3 m. Calculate the average power generated by the plant in a single emptying process of the basin if the turbine generator efficiency is 0.65. Also, estimate the average annual energy generation of the plant. Given, density of sea water = 1025 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. [8]

e) A wind turbine with a blade diameter of 25 m is to be installed in a location where the average wind velocity is 6 m/s. If the overall efficiency of the turbine is 34%, determine- [8]

- i. The average electric power output
- ii. The amount of electricity produced by this turbine for an annual operating hour of 8000 h
- iii. The revenue generated if the electricity is sold at a price of Rs.7/kWh. Take the density of air to be  $1.3 \text{ kg/m}^3$ .

f) (i) Geothermal liquid water from a well is available at  $105^\circ\text{C}$  at a rate of  $170,000 \text{ kg/h}$  and is to be used for space cooling using an absorption cooling system. Geothermal water leaves the generator of the absorption system at  $85^\circ\text{C}$ . If the COP of the absorption system is 0.72, determine the rate of cooling provided by the system. The specific heat of water at room temperature is  $C_p = 4.18 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$ . [3]

(ii) Calculate the radius of a rotor for a wind turbine operating at a wind speed of 6 m/s to pump water at a rate of  $4.5 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$  with a lift of 4.5 m. Use the following data: [5]

- Water density =  $1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ,  
Water pump efficiency = 50%,  
Efficiency of motor to pump = 80%,  
Power coefficient,  $C_p = 0.3$ ,  
Air density =  $1.2 \text{ kg/m}^3$

4. Prove that the power potential of tidal energy for a single-pool tidal system is

$$P_{av} = 0.225AR^2$$

where A is the pool's surface area, R is the tidal range.

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