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Renewable Energy Technology

Full Marks: 100

Time: Three hours

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

Attempt any five questions from the following

5x20

1. a) What do you understand by biomass 2
b) Give the Structural description of lignocellulosic biomass in environment. 6
c) Briefly explain some physicochemical properties of biomass. 4
d) Differentiate between aerobic and anaerobic thermochemical conversion process. Explain biochemical conversion process with example. 4+4
2. a) What do you understand by biogas? 2
b) Explain the detailed mechanism of biogas generation with biochemical reactions in an anaerobic digester. 10
c) Discuss the influence of important factors in biomethanation process. 8
3. a) Explain fermentative production and recovery of bioethanol from lignocellulosic biomass? 8
b) Give the biochemical reactions involved in molasses fermentation. 4
c) Describe the biohydrogen production by light and dark fermentation. 8
4. a) What is biophotolysis? 2
b) Differentiate between photolysis and biophotolysis? 2
c) How biological hydrogen is produced by biophotolysis? 8
d) Explain briefly the integrated technique of biophotolysis with biochemical conversions by predicting the yield of hydrogen during this process 8
5. a) Differentiate between surfactant and biosurfactant. Give some examples of biosurfactant producing microorganisms. 2+2
b) Give the structural classification of biosurfactant. 2
c) Explain the isolation and recovery of biosurfactant with flow diagram. How biosurfactant activity is measured. Give some potential applications of

biosurfactant.

3+2+3

- d) What is biopolymer? How xanthan is produced microbiologically? Give some characteristic properties of xanthan gum. 1+3+2
6. a) Give the principle and mathematical expression of recovery of petroleum. 4
- b) Explain the mechanism of enhanced oil recovery (EOR) with diagram by using xanthan gum as biopolymer. 4
- c) What is solar panel? State different applications. 1+2
- d) What do you understand by solar thermal collector? Which factors governs its performance characteristics? Explain one solar collector with diagram. 1+2+6
7. a) Explain different types of solar photovoltaic systems with suitable diagram. 7
- b) Explain salinity gradient solar pond with diagram. 5
- c) Describe a wind turbine system with diagram. 5
- d) How tidal energy can be calculated? 3

