

B.TECH.

**THEORY EXAMINATION (SEM-VIII) 2016-17
NON CONVENTIONAL ENERGY RESOURCES**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

Note : Be precise in your answer. In case of numerical problem assume data wherever not provided.

SECTION – A

- 1. Explain the following:** **10 x 2 = 20**
- State Seebeck Effect and Peltier Effect.
 - Write the chemical reaction takes place in Alkaline Fuel Cell.
 - What is an aerobic digestion?
 - Define solar constant. What is its standard value?
 - Discuss the terms Energy conservation and Energy audit.
 - What is the maximum energy conversion efficiency of a wind turbine for a given swept area?
 - Define Fill Factor.
 - On what factors does the collector efficiency of a solar flat plate collector depend?
 - What is OTEC? Discuss in brief.
 - Describe various Geothermal Energy Resources.

SECTION – B

- 2. Attempt any five of the following questions:** **5 x 10 = 50**
- Discuss the main features of various types of renewable and non-renewable energy sources. Also explain the importance of non-conventional energy sources in the context of global warming.
 - Classify different types of solar thermal collector and show the constructional details of a flat plate collector. What are its main advantages?
 - Explain the mechanism of photoconduction in a PV cell.
 - Explain the process of gasification of solid biomass. What is the general composition of the gas produced and what is its heating value? What are its applications?
 - Explain the 'Single Basin' and 'Two Basin' systems of tidal power harnessing. Discuss their advantages and limitations.
 - Explain the essential features of a hydrogen-oxygen cell. Draw a suitable diagram of this cell and give the reactions took place at the electrodes.
 - With the help of a schematic diagram, explain the operation of closed cycle MHD generating system.
 - Explain the process of production of biogas from biomass. Describe Deen Bandhu Biogas plant.

SECTION – C

- Attempt any two of the following questions:** **2 x 15 = 30**
- What are the most favorable sites for installing wind turbines? Using Betz model of a wind turbine, derive the expression for power extracted from wind. Under what condition does the maximum theoretical power can be extracted from the wind turbine?
 - Write short notes on:** i) Practical problems associated with MHD power generation. ii) Solar Cell Arrays. iii) Vertical Axis Wind Mills.
 - Describe the principle of working and constructional details of basic thermionic generator. What is the basic difference between thermoelectric and thermionic conversion systems? Also, explain the working of thermoelectric generators.