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IV B.Tech I Semester Examinations, November 2010
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING PLANT DESIGN AND ECONOMICS
Chemical Engineering

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 80

Answer any FIVE Questions
All Questions carry equal marks

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2. Explain the following [8+8]
 - (a) Optimum conditions in cyclic operations.
 - (b) Optimum conditions in semi cyclic operations.
3. (a) Suggest various ways of adjustment of depreciation accounts to take care of the difference between estimated and actual service life and salvage value of a property. [6]
 - (b) What do you mean by arbitrary methods of depreciation determination? Name them and discuss any one of them in detail including advantage and limitations. [10]
4. (a) Discuss the 'Annual cost' and Present worth methods of selecting alternates. [6]
 - (b) Heat exchanger 'A' costs Rs.75,000 with an annual operating cost of Rs.5,000. A second exchanger 'B' costs Rs.1,00,000 with an annual operating cost of Rs.3,000. Both have an estimated service life of 5 years. Exchanger 'A' has a salvage value of Rs.1,000 and exchanger 'B' has a salvage value of Rs.1,500. Money is worth 15 percent. [10]
 - i. What is the present worth of the service for 10 years provided by the two alternates?
 - ii. What is the present capitalized cost for perpetual service?
5. (a) In transferring the cost of chemical A to the inventory and cost-of-sales accounts, there is a question as to what price applies for the chemical A. What are the three basic methods for handling problems of this type? [6]

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- the current-average method,
 - the "fifo" method, and
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6. Self Insurance is being considered for one portion of a chemical company. The fixed-capital investment involved is \$ 50,000, and insurance costs for complete protection would amount to \$ 400 per year. If Self Insurance is used, a reserve fund will be set up under the company's jurisdiction, and annual insurance premiums of \$ 300 will be deposited in this fund under an ordinary annuity plan. All money in the fund can be assumed to earn interest at a compound annual rate of 5 %. Neglecting any connected with administration of the fund, how much money should be deposited in the fund at the beginning of the program in order to have enough money accumulated to replace a complete \$ 50,000 loss after 10 years ? [16]
7. (a) Discuss the various components of direct production costs with regard to estimation of total product cost. [10]
- (b) The annual direct production costs for a plant are Rs. 2,80,000 and the total annual sales are Rs. 5,60,000. [6]
- If the product sells at Rs. 40 per unit, what is the direct production cost per unit?
 - If the gross annual earnings are Rs. 2,00,000 and the corporate income tax requires a 22% normal tax on the gross annual earnings plus 26% surtax on gross earnings above Rs. 25,000, what is the net annual earnings?
8. (a) Write short notes on profitability. [8]
- (b) Explain in detail about the design-engineering practice for interest and investment costs. [8]

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