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B.Tech III Year II Semester (R15) Supplementary Examinations December/January 2018/19

**NON CONVENTIONAL SOURCE OF ENERGY**

(Mechanical Engineering)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 70

**PART – A**  
(Compulsory Question)

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1 Answer the following: (10 X 02 = 20 Marks)

- (a) Define solar constant.
- (b) Define attitude angle and hour angle.
- (c) Write the function of absorber and glass cover in a flat plate solar collector.
- (d) Write the advantages of concentric solar collectors over flat plate solar collectors.
- (e) Write any four important applications of solar energy.
- (f) Write basic function of yaw control in a horizontal wind mill.
- (g) What are the basic differences between pyrolysis and liquefaction?
- (h) Write the basic components in a geothermal conversion system.
- (i) What is peltier effect?
- (j) Write components in a single basin tidal power plant.

**PART – B**

(Answer all five units, 5 X 10 = 50 Marks)

**UNIT – I**

2 What are the different renewable energy sources? Write the advantages and limitations of renewable energy sources compared to non-renewable energy sources.

**OR**

3 Calculate the angle made by beam radiation with the normal to a flat plate collector on November 25 at 9.00 am solar time for a location at 27° 25' N. The collector is tilted at an angle of latitude plus 12° with the horizontal and pointing due to South.

**UNIT – II**

4 Explain the working of a solar flat plate collector with a neat diagram. Write the function of its various components.

**OR**

5 What are the different focusing type concentrating solar collectors? With a neat diagram, explain the working of a Fresnel lens collector.

**UNIT – III**

6 What are the main components of a PV power generation system? Write and explain the basic principle of PV cell.

**OR**7 Wind at 1 standard atmospheric pressure and 16°C temperature has a velocity of 12 m/s. The turbine has a diameter of 125 m and is operating at a speed of 45 rpm at maximum efficiency. Calculate: (i) The total power density in the wind stream. (ii) The maximum obtainable power density using  $\eta = 40\%$ . (iii) The total power produced in kW. (iv) The torque and the axial thrust.**UNIT – IV**

8 Explain the working of a floating drum bio-gas generation plant with a neat sketch.

**OR**

9 Explain the working of a binary-fluid gas thermal power system with a neat flow diagram.

**UNIT – V**

10 Describe the Closed Cycle OTEC system. Write its advantages over open cycle system.

**OR**

11 Discuss the principle of MHD power generation system with a neat sketch. Write the advantages and limitations of MHD closed cycle system.