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# B.M.S. College of Engineering, Bengaluru-560019

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## June 2025 Semester End Main Examinations

**Programme: B.E.**

**Semester: IV**

**Branch: Aerospace Engineering**

**Duration: 3 hrs.**

**Course Code: 23AS4ETIST**

**Max Marks: 100**

**Course: Introduction to Space Technology**

**Instructions:** 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each unit.  
2. Missing data, if any, may be suitably assumed.

<b>UNIT - I</b>			<b>CO</b>	<b>PO</b>	<b>Marks</b>
1	a)	Briefly describe the formation of the Star.  What is the difference between a planetary nebula and a supernova?	CO1	PO1	<b>10</b>
	b)	What are the primary functions of a Spacecraft? Classify five different types of spacecraft and briefly describe their mission objectives.	CO1	PO1	<b>10</b>
<b>OR</b>					
2	a)	(i) Briefly describe the Apollo 11 mission.  (ii) What was name of the first satellite that was put into space? Briefly describe that.	CO1	PO1	<b>10</b>
	b)	Briefly describe PSLV and GSLV space launchers.	CO1	PO1	<b>10</b>
<b>UNIT - II</b>					
3	a)	(i) What do you understand by central force? State the major characteristics of central force.  (ii) Write down Kepler's Law of Planetary motion.	CO1	PO1	<b>10</b>
	b)	State and prove the transport theorem.	CO1	PO2	<b>10</b>
<b>OR</b>					
4	a)	Describe, using appropriate mathematical equations, two body problems in an inertial frame.	CO1	PO2	<b>10</b>
	b)	Show that central force motion occurs in a plane.	CO1	PO2	<b>10</b>
<b>UNIT - III</b>					
5	a)	Briefly describe six layers of the Sun.	CO2	PO1	<b>10</b>

**Important Note:** Completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages. Revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator will be treated as malpractice.

	b)	Describe the interaction of Solar wind and Geomagnetic field.	CO2	PO1	<b>10</b>
		<b>OR</b>			
6	a)	Briefly describe the effects of space environment on spacecraft.	CO2	PO1	<b>10</b>
	b)	Briefly describe five different types of propulsion systems.	CO2	PO1	<b>10</b>
		<b>UNIT - IV</b>			
7	a)	Briefly describe the components of a typical communication system.	CO3	PO1	<b>10</b>
	b)	What do you understand by Remote sensing? Define passive and active sensor for remote sensing.	CO3	PO1	<b>10</b>
		<b>OR</b>			
8	a)	Explain how a signal can be transmitted from one place to another.	CO3	PO1	<b>10</b>
	b)	Briefly describe the propagation characteristics of Direct Waves, Ground Waves, Sky Waves, and Space Waves.	CO3	PO1	<b>10</b>
		<b>UNIT - V</b>			
9	a)	State different parts of the satellite systems. Briefly describe ground support components.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
	b)	Describe the power subsystem and thermal subsystem.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
		<b>OR</b>			
10	a)	Briefly describe the system life cycle in spacecraft design	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>
	b)	Explain the orbital maintenance subsystem and the propulsion subsystem.	CO4	PO1	<b>10</b>

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