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

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Programme: B.E.

Semester: V

Branch: Industrial Engineering and Management

Duration: 3 hrs.

Course Code: 23IM5PCHFE

Max Marks: 100

Course: Human Factors Engineering

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

			UNIT - I			CO	PO	Marks
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.	1	a)	Discuss working roles in which an engineer can use ergonomics and human factors knowledge to positively impact a workplace.			<i>CO2</i>	<i>PO1</i> <i>PO4</i>	10
		b)	How are ergonomics and human factors connected to engineering?			<i>CO1</i>	<i>PO1</i>	10
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	2	a)	Define ergonomics and human factors. Explain the purpose of production ergonomics and its connection to engineering.			<i>CO2</i>	<i>PO1</i> <i>PO4</i>	10
		b)	Discuss the musculo-skeletal system's role in ergonomics and list the common disorders associated with it.			<i>CO2</i>	<i>PO1</i> <i>PO4</i>	10
UNIT - II								
	3	a)	Considering the problem from an engineering perspective, identify what exactly makes physical loading a risk?			<i>CO2</i>	<i>PO1</i> <i>PO4</i>	10
		b)	Explain the causes and consequences of Bad Posture.			<i>CO2</i>	<i>PO1</i> <i>PO4</i>	10
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	4	a)	Explain Hagg's theory of cumulative loading known as the "Cinderella Hypothesis", named after the fairy tale character that was always "first to rise and last to go to bed".			<i>CO2</i>	<i>PO1</i> <i>PO4</i>	10
		b)	Reflect on your own working life as a student, engineer or the like. What are the typical postures, forces and time frequencies of exposure that occur in your daily life? Are you at risk for unhealthy loading?			<i>CO2</i>	<i>PO1</i> <i>PO4</i>	10
UNIT - III								
	5	a)	Discuss Static Measurements and Dynamic Measurement with suitable examples.			<i>CO3</i>	<i>PO2</i> <i>PO6</i>	10

	b)	“Almost every human body has the same “biomechanical layout”, as there is significant variation in body sizes and proportions between individuals. What do you think the main reasons are for the variations in the anthropometric data, explain the same?	CO3	PO2 PO6	10
		OR			
6	a)	Explain hierarchy of time-related factors that can be used to describe production assembly work.	CO3	PO2 PO6	10
	b)	In anthropometry, explain what it means to “design for the 5 th to 95 th percentile” of a population.	CO3	PO2 PO6	10
		UNIT - IV			
7	a)	Using the SRK model by Rasmussen, explain the difference between how a novice and an expert process information, when performing a task.	CO3	PO2 PO6	10
	b)	Discuss the various design principles geared at supporting the human cognitive capabilities of attention, perception, memory and mental models.	CO3	PO2 PO6	10
		OR			
8	a)	How can cognitive ergonomics improve industrial production? Discuss with examples.	CO4	PO3	10
	b)	What are the parameters that influence vision? What are the key design factors for presenting visual information?	CO4	PO3	10
		UNIT - V			
9	a)	“Heuristic Evaluation IS one rough inspection or “checklist” method that enables general ergonomics issues to be identified” explain.	CO4	PO3	10
	b)	Explain the NIOSH Lifting Equation with an example.	CO4	PO3	10
		OR			
10	a)	Discuss the various posture analysis method with an example of your choice.	CO4	PO3	10
	b)	Discuss about JSI, EAWS and RAMP based on multi-aspect ergonomics evaluation method.	CO4	PO3	10
