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Programme: B.E.

Branch: Mechanical Engineering

Course Code: 20ME5DERES

Course: Renewable Energy Sources

Semester: V

Duration: 3 hrs.

Max Marks: 100

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

UNIT - I

- 1 a) List any 3 non-conventional energy sources and write their advantages and disadvantages. **05**
- b) Discuss Kyoto protocol. **06**
- c) Discuss (CDM) Clean Development Mechanism and its steps. **09**

UNIT - II

- 2 a) Classify different types of solar PV cells based on materials. **04**
- b) With a neat sketch explain grid interactive solar PV system. **08**
- c) Explain in brief, any four solar thermal systems. **08**

UNIT - III

- 3 a) Derive an expression for maximum efficiency that can be obtained from wind mill. **10**
- b) List and brief about factors to be considered for site selection for wind mill. **10**

OR

- 4 a) A 10 m/s wind is at atmospheric pressure and 15°C temperature. Calculate i) total power density in the wind stream ii) maximum power density obtainable, iii) reasonably obtainable power density in W/m^2 , iv) total power produced if the turbine diameter is 120 m, and v) torque and axial thrust if the turbine operating at 40 RPM and max efficiency. **10**
- b) With neat sketch explain the working of single blade horizontal wind mill. **10**

UNIT - IV

- 5 a) List the advantages of anaerobic process. **10**
- b) Explain in detail the factors affecting the bio digestion process. **10**

OR

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.

- 6 a) The following data are given for a family biogas digester suitable for output of 5 cows, the retention time is 20 days, the temperature is 30°C , dry matter consumed per day is 2 kg, biogas yield is 0.24 m^3 per kg. The efficiency of the burner is 60 % methane proportion is 0.8, heat of combustion of methane is 28 MJ/m^3 . Assuming the standard data for designing, calculate i) the volume of digester ii) the power available from the digester. **10**
- b) Explain the production of ethanol from sugarcane with relevant chemical reaction equations. **10**

UNIT - V

- 7 a) What is fuel cell? Describe the principle of working of Phosphoric Acid Fuel Cell (PAFC). **08**
- b) Explain Solid Oxide Fuel Cell (SOFC). **06**
- c) Describe briefly the application and environmental effects of fuel cells. **06**

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