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SIDDHARTH INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY:: PUTTUR
(AUTONOMOUS)**M.Tech I Year II Semester (R16) Regular Examinations MAY/JUNE 2017****ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCE**

(Thermal Engineering)

(For Students admitted in 2016 only)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks:60

(Answer all Five Units 5 X 12 =60 Marks)

UNIT-I

- 1 a. Distinguish between vertical axis and horizontal axis wind turbines. 5M
b. Draw and explain the typical performance curves of wind machines. 7M

OR

- 2 a. Discuss the different types of wind turbines used to extract wind energy. 5M
b. Derive an expression for energy that can be extracted from wind. 7M

UNIT-II

- 3 a. Explain with a simple sketch, construction and working of double basin tidal power plant. 5M
b. What are wave energy conversion devices, explain with a simple sketch, working of high level reservoir wave machine? 7M

OR

- 4 a. What is the current status of geothermal energy in India? 5M
b. Explain Carnot efficiency of an OTEC plant with the help of a thermodynamic cycle on T-s plane. (b) A single basin type tidal power plant has a basin area of 22 km². The tide has a range of 10 m. The turbine stops operation when the head on it falls below 3 m. Calculate the average power generated during one filling/emptying process in MW, if the turbine generator efficiency is 74%. Take specific gravity of sea water as 1.025. 7M

UNIT-III

- 5 a. Explain storage of hydrogen. 6M
b. Explain process of using hydrogen as fuel for vehicles. 6M

OR

- 6 a. Describe various methods of hydrogen fuel for vehicles. 3M
b. What are the advantages and limitations of hydrogen as fuel in transportation sector? 9M

UNIT-IV

- 7 a. Enumerate applications of fuel cells. 4M
b. List out the advantages and limitations of fuel cell. 8M

OR

- 8 a. What is the principle of fuel cell? 6M
b. Discuss and differentiate between "Electrical efficiency" and "Thermal efficiency" of the fuel cell. 6M

UNIT-V

- 9 a. Draw the arrangement of high/medium head design of small hydro power project and explain about the major components. 12M

OR

- 10 a. What is thermal reactor? What is a fast reactor? 4M
b. Draw a neat sketch of a gas cooled nuclear reactor and explain its construction and working. 8M

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