

**DIPLOMA IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
(DELVI) / ADVANCED LEVEL CERTIFICATE
COURSE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
(ACELVI)**

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**Term-End Examination
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BIEE-029 : POWER GENERATION SYSTEMS

Time : 2 hours

Maximum Marks : 70

Note : *Attempt any **five** questions. All questions carry equal marks. Use of scientific calculator is permitted.*

1. Select the suitable objective answer for the following : $7 \times 2 = 14$
- (a) Which is the cheapest plant in operation and maintenance ?
- (i) Diesel power plant
 - (ii) Hydroelectric plant
 - (iii) Thermal power plant
 - (iv) Nuclear power plant

- (b) Economisers are used to heat
- (i) Air
 - (ii) Feedwater
 - (iii) Steam
 - (iv) Hydrogen
- (c) The cost of fuel transportation is minimum in
- (i) Thermal power plant
 - (ii) Hydroelectric plant
 - (iii) Nuclear power plant
 - (iv) Both (i) and (iii)
- (d) Which type of turbines are used for high head hydroelectric plants ?
- (i) Pelton wheel
 - (ii) Francis
 - (iii) Kaplan
 - (iv) None of the above
- (e) The process that converts solid coal into liquid hydrocarbon fuel is called
- (i) Liquefaction
 - (ii) Carbonation
 - (iii) Catalytic Conversion
 - (iv) Gasification

- (f) Fuel cells are
- (i) Carbon cells
 - (ii) Hydrogen battery
 - (iii) Chromium cells
 - (iv) Lithium cells
- (g) Photovoltaic cell is made of
- (i) Ge
 - (ii) Si
 - (iii) Li
 - (iv) Mg
2. (a) What is the function of a photovoltaic solar cell ? Write its advantages and limitations. 7
- (b) A solar cell is having an area of $25 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$ and produces a power of 0.2 W. If the intensity of solar radiation is 700 W/m^2 , find the efficiency of the solar cell. 7
3. (a) Draw a schematic diagram of a MHD power generating station having heat recovery steam generator. Explain in detail. 7
- (b) What is a fuel cell ? Explain the operating principle of a fuel cell with a neat schematic diagram. 7
4. (a) Explain the working of the wind power generation system. Give the classification of rotor used for wind generation. 7
- (b) What is biomass ? How is it highly useful for rural applications ? 7

5. (a) Explain the construction and working of solar stills. What are the various types of vertical and horizontal axis machines ? Describe the construction of a three-blade horizontal shaft wind turbine generator unit. 7
- (b) Explain the principle of open cycle Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) system with a suitable diagram. 7
6. (a) Explain the various methods of Tidal power generation. What are its limitations ? 7
- (b) Explain the functions of spillways and penstocks in hydroelectric power stations. 7
7. Write short notes on any **two** of the following : $2 \times 7 = 14$
- (a) Thermoelectric Materials and their Applications
- (b) Solar Water Heaters
- (c) Present Scenario of Non-conventional Energy Sources in India
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