

**B.Tech. (AEROSPACE ENGINEERING)  
(BTAE)**

**Term-End Examination**

**December, 2013**

**BAS-023 : AIRCRAFT DESIGN/LAUNCH VEHICLE/  
ROCKET DESIGN**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

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

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1. Prepare a conceptual design with preliminary weight estimate and weight break down, 3 views of an airplane with the following initial specifications; **10**
- 5 passengers +1 crew, carry bags of 15 kgs allowed per passenger.  
Maximum level speed at mid - cruise weight = 400 kmph  
Range = 2000 kms  
Abs. ceiling = 8000m  
Rate of climb at sea level = 350 m/min  
Stalling speed = 120 kmph  
Landing distance = 670 m  
Take off distance = 760 m  
**Power Plant** : Conventional piston engine with constant speed.  
Propeller = 1 number.

2. What are possible locations of jet engines on an airplane ( both civil and military) ? Illustrate each of these with sketches / diagrams of existing / past airplanes. Describe merits of each option. **10**
  
3. (a) What are the reasons behind giving twist to main wing ? Explain with neat sketch. **5**  
 (b) How will you choose proper engine for the given design ? Explain with necessary graph. **5**
  
4. (a) Explain different types of air inlets for subsonic and supersonic aircraft. **5**  
 (b) Explain the statement "Propeller driven aircrafts are not capable to cruise at higher altitudes". **5**
  
5. (a) How will you select fuselage width for personal utility aircraft ? **5**  
 (b) Explain various types of tail plane configuration with necessary sketches. **5**
  
6. (a) How will you estimate weight of aircraft ? **5**  
 (b) How will you select type of landing gear in your aircraft design ? **5**
  
7. What are different arrangements / layouts of landing gears for airplanes? Illustrate with sketches and plots. Hence illustrate the functioning of an oleo strut. **10**

8. A light UAV is to be designed for carrying an instrument equipment load of 15 kgs. Its maximum velocity is 75 kmph. A pusher type piston - prop weighing 4.5kgs, capable of delivering 14 IHP is readily available. **5x2=10**
- (a) Work out gross weight for an endurance of 4 hrs.
  - (b) Carry out weight break down analysis.
  - (c) Prepare preliminary design of the wing.
  - (d) Work out major dimensions, and
  - (e) Prepare a 3 view drawing
- Be reasonable to assume data required with justification.
9. Make use of sketches and plots to illustrate the structural layout details of an all metal wing. **10**  
Hence explain the occurrence resistance of aerodynamics loads, torsional and divergence moments.
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