

**DIPLOMA IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING  
(DME) / ADVANCED LEVEL CERTIFICATE IN  
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING  
(DMEVI/ACMEVI)**

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2013**

**BME-052 : BASICS OF THERMAL ENGINEERING**

*Time : 2 hours*

*Maximum Marks : 70*

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*Note : Answer any five questions. Use of scientific calculator is permitted. Use of steam table, Mollier chart are permitted.*

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1. (a) Explain the following : 6+8
- (i) state
  - (ii) path
  - (iii) process
  - (iv) cycle
- (b) 50 liters of air at 60°C expands from 7 bar to 1 bar according to the law  $PV^n = C$ . The volume of air after expansion is 250 liters. Determine the mass of air, and work done during the process.

2. (a) Derive the steady state steady flow energy equation for a nozzle. State assumptions made. **6+8**
- (b) An inventor claims that his new engine will develop 3.675 kW for a heat addition of 18400 kJ/hr. The source and sink temperatures of the cycle are 2000°C and 250°C respectively. Examine whether he is justified in his claim.
3. (a) What is the purpose of steam stop valve ? **6+8**  
Explain its working with neat sketch.
- (b) 1 kg of steam at 10 bar exists at the following conditions :
- (i) Wet and 0.8 dry
- (ii) Dry and saturated
- Determine the enthalpy, specific volume and internal energy of the steam in each case.
4. (a) Discuss the advantages of reheating the steam in thermal power plants. **4+10**
- (b) In a Rankine power cycle the steam at inlet to the turbine is 30 bar, dry and saturated and exhaust pressure is 0.25 bar. Determine the Rankine cycle efficiency and turbine power if flow rate is 10 kg/s.

5. (a) Explain the construction and working of reaction steam turbine with neat sketch. **7+7**
- (b) Explain the working principle of Cochrem Boiler with neat sketch.
6. (a) Explain the construction and working of a surface condenser with neat sketch. **7+7**
- (b) Briefly explain the ash handling disposal system.
7. (a) Explain the dimensionless numbers used in convection heat transfer. **4+10**
- (b) A brick work of a furnace is built up of layers laid of fire clay ( $K = 0.93 \text{ W/m}^\circ\text{C}$ ) and red brick ( $K = 0.7 \text{ W/m}^\circ\text{C}$ ) and space between them is filled with diatomite brick ( $K = 0.13 \text{ W/m}^\circ\text{C}$ ). The thickness of fire clay, diatomite and red brick are 12, 5 and 25 cm respectively. Determine the heat loss/ $\text{m}^2$  from the furnace wall and interface temperatures of furnace wall.
8. Write short notes on the following : **7+7**
- (a) Tidal Energy
- (b) Solar Energy
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