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**MMTE–006**

**M. SC. (MATHEMATICS WITH  
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SCIENCE) [M. SC. (MACS)]**

**Term-End Examination**

**June, 2024**

**MMTE-006 : CRYPTOGRAPHY**

*Time : 2 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 50*

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**Note :** (i) *There are six questions in this paper. Do any **four** from Q. No. 1 to Q. No. 5.*

(ii) *Question No. 6 is compulsory.*

(iii) *Use of calculator is not allowed.*

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1. (a) Find a generator for the finite field :

$$\frac{\mathbf{F}_2[x]}{\langle x^3 + x + 1 \rangle}$$

Also, write all the elements of the finite fields in polynomial representation. 4

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- (b) Explain the Diffie-Hellman key exchange protocol. 3
- (c) Explain how the keyed cryptographic hash function is better than the normal hash function. 3
2. (a) Define a pseudoprime to a base  $b, b \in \mathbf{N}$ . Show that, if  $n$  is a pseudoprime to the bases  $b_1$  and  $b_2$ , then  $n$  is also a pseudoprime to the base  $b_1 b_2$  and  $b_1 b_2^{-1}$ , where  $b_2^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $b_2$  modulo  $n$ . 4
- (b) Solve the equation :

$$14^x \equiv 22 \pmod{97}$$

using baby step-giant step algorithm. 6

3. (a) Explain the main goals of cryptography. 4
- (b) Check whether the following sequence passes poker test : 6

1001 1101 1101 1011 0011 1101

0111 0100 0010 1100 0010 0101

you may like to use the following values :

$$\chi_{0.05,1}^2 = 3.84146, \chi_{0.05,3}^2 = 7.81473.$$

4. (a) Representing :

$$\mathbf{F}_{2^8} = \frac{\mathbf{F}_2[x]}{\langle g(x) \rangle},$$

where  $g(x) = x^8 + x^4 + x^3 + x + 1$ , find inverse of the byte 10001100 in  $\mathbf{F}_{2^8}$ . 4

- (b) For a RSA cryptosystem with parameter  $n = 899$ , encryption key  $e = 11$  and  $\phi(n) = 840$ , find the decryption exponent  $d$ . Encrypt the message  $\mu = 10$ . Also, factorise  $n$ . 6

5. (a) Explain the difference between AKS algorithm and the Rabin Miller algorithm. 2

- (b) Describe the Caesar cipher and Affine cipher. How are these two ciphers related ? 3

- (c) Describe the key scheduling of RC4 and its pseudo random generation algorithm. Give *two* examples where RC4 encryption is being used. 5

6. Which of the following statements are true and which are false ? Justify your answer with a short proof or a counter-example, whichever is appropriate : 10

- (i) Hash functions provide confidentiality.

- (ii) If  $n = 391$  for an RSA cryptosystem  $e = 11$  is a valid encryption exponent.
- (iii) Vigenere cipher is a monoalphabetic cipher.
- (iv) In digital signature schemes, the hash of the message is signed using the sender's public key.
- (v) The digital signature standard algorithm uses two  $p$  and  $q$  such  $\gcd(p - 1, q) = 1$ .