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Eighth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, June 2012
Renewable Energy Sources

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting atleast TWO questions from each part.

PART – A

- 1 a. List the differences between renewable and non – renewable energy sources. (08 Marks)
b. What are the advantages and limitations of renewable energy sources? (06 Marks)
c. Explain briefly the Indian Energy Scenario. (06 Marks)
- 2 a. With a neat diagram, explain the working principle of pyranometer used for measuring global radiation. (08 Marks)
b. Define the following terms related to solar radiation geometry : (12 Marks)
i) Declination ii) Hour angle iii) Local solar time iv) Solar constant.
- 3 a. With a neat diagram, explain the working principle of solar water heater. (08 Marks)
b. With a neat diagram, explain the working principle of solar still and solar cooker. (12 Marks)
- 4 a. Explain clearly the advantages and disadvantages of concentrating collector over flat plate collectors. (10 Marks)
b. With a neat diagram, explain the solar water pumping system. (10 Marks)

PART – B

- 5 a. With a block diagram, explain the basic components of wind energy conversion system. (10 Marks)
b. Derive an expression for power in the wind. (10 Marks)
- 6 a. With a neat diagram, explain the working principle of biogas plant. (10 Marks)
b. List and explain the factors affecting biogas generation. (10 Marks)
- 7 a. With a neat diagram, explain the principle of tidal power. (10 Marks)
b. With a neat diagram, explain the principle of ocean thermal energy conversion system. (10 Marks)
- 8 Write short notes on the following :
a. Wave energy.
b. Wind energy.
c. Solar cell fundamentals.
d. Fuel cell. (20 Marks)

Important Note : 1. On completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages.
2. Any revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator and /or equations written eg, 42+8 = 50, will be treated as malpractice.