9. (a) Explain the basic principles and Base components of wind energy conversion systems.

Or

- (b) Discuss briefly about the various types of wind machines with a neat sketch.
- 10. (a) Discuss in detail about the continuous and batch type of bio-gas plant with a neat sketch.

Or

(b) Discuss the various methods of gel energy from biomass

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## **ENERGY PHYSICS**

Time: Three hours

Maximum: 75 marks

PART A —  $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$ 

Answer ALL questions.

1. (a) What are renewable and nonrenewable energy sources? Explain with suitable examples.

Or

- (b) Discuss the production and reserves of nuclear power in India.
- 2. (a) Draw and explain cross-sectional diagram of the single crystal silicon solar cell.

Or

(b) Discuss about the maximum conversion efficiency and actual efficiency of a solar cell.

3. (a) What are active and passive methods of space heating? Discuss the passive space heating system designed by Professor Trombe.

Or

- (b) Write a short note on "Agricultural and Industrial process heat".
- 4. (a) Obtain an expression for energy in the wind.

Or

- (b) Mention few applications of wind energy.
- 5. (a) Explain the term Biomass and Photosynthesis with suitable examples.

Or

(b) Discuss the properties and utilization of biogas.

PART B —  $(5 \times 10 = 50 \text{ marks})$ 

Answer ALL questions.

6. (a) What is the need for energy alternatives?

Discuss the primary sources of alternative energy which hold potential for future.

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- (b) Discuss the production and reserves of the following energy sources in India.
  - (i) Coal
  - (ii) Oil
  - (iii) Water power.
- 7. (a) Discuss the formation and conversion efficiency of some poly crystalline and amorphous silicon solar cells.

Or

- (b) (i) Discuss the principle of working of a solar cell with a neat sketches.
  - (ii) What are solar cell parameters?

    Describe its importance.
- 8. (a) Describe the various types of solar cookers with a neat sketch.

Or

- (b) Discuss briefly about the following applications of solar energy.
  - (i) Solar water heating.
  - (ii) Solar green house.

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