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B.E. (Chemical)

FUEL CELL TECHNOLOGY (Elective - IV)

(2012 Pattern) (Semester - VI)

Time : 2:30 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 70

Instructions to the candidates:

- 1) Answer Q1 or Q2, Q3 or Q4, Q5 or Q6, Q7 or Q8, Q9 or Q10.
- 2) Neat diagrams must be drawn wherever necessary.
- 3) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- 4) Assume Suitable data if necessary.

**Q1)** Compare polymer electrolyte membrane fuel cell and solid oxide fuel cell. Describe the construction and working of any one of them. [10]

OR

- Q2)** a) When the same quantity of electricity is passed through two voltmeters arranged in series  $1.12 \text{ dm}^3$  of dry  $\text{H}_2$  gas is liberated at NTP and  $9 \times 10^{-4}$  kg of metal is deposited at cathode in other voltmeter. Calculate the equivalent mass of metal if that of hydrogen is 1 [5]
- b) What is emf series? What is its importance in the design of a fuel cell? [5]

**Q3)** What are Tafel plots? Derive Tafel equation from the first principles. Describe its use in the fuel cell design. [10]

OR

**Q4)** What is reforming? How is ATR i.e Auto Thermal Reforming used to manufacture hydrogen needed for a fuel cell? Describe its advantages and disadvantages. [10]

- Q5)** a) What are the criteria for selecting anodic materials of a proton exchange membrane fuel cell system? [8]
- b) Describe various cathodic catalyst materials used in the construction of a Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell and their possible functions in its working. [8]

OR

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- Q6)** Write short notes on ANY THREE [16]
- a) Anodic Materials of PEMFCs
  - b) Membrane Electrolyte Materials
  - c) Gas Diffusion Layer Materials
  - d) Schematic diagram of PEMFCs

- Q7)** a) What are the criteria for selecting cathodic materials of a Solid Oxide fuel cell system? [8]
- b) Describe with the help of a diagram oxidation reaction on the TPB of an anode made of Ni-YSZ. [8]

OR

- Q8)** At equilibrium how electric potentials are related to chemical potentials of fuel and oxidizer stream in a fuel cell? Describe their importance in the design of a fuel cell. [16]

- Q9)** Write down generic fuel conversion reactions before a fuel (Natural Gas/Naphtha) is fed to the fuel cell. [18]

OR

- Q10)** Write short notes on any three - [18]
- a) Carbon Deposition Avoidance
  - b) Impurities Reduction in reforming
  - c) Steam Reforming
  - d) Recent development in harnessing hydrogen

