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B. E. (Mechanical Engineering)  
Fifth Semester  
MEC-506: Fluid Machinery

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

**NOTE:** Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 (section-A) which is compulsory and selecting two questions each from Section B-C.

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Section – A (2 marks each)

- Q 1
- What is the function of the Spear in the Pelton wheel turbine.
  - What methods can be used to prevent or minimize cavitation in reaction turbines
  - Identify the key differences between Indoor Propagation and Outdoor Propagation of sound.
  - What is Priming, and why is it necessary for a centrifugal pump.
  - What is slip in a reciprocating pump

Section – B (10 marks)

- Q 2
- For the Francis turbine, the following data is available: Shaft power = 140 kW, Net head = 100 m, Speed = 130 rpm, Overall efficiency = 75%, Hydraulic efficiency = 90%, Velocity of flow at inlet =  $1.18\sqrt{H}$ , Vane speed at inlet =  $3.45\sqrt{H}$ . Assume discharge radial at exit. Solve the following: (i) Calculate the guide blade angle and moving blade angle at inlet. (ii) Determine the diameter of the runner at inlet. Draw inlet and outlet velocity triangles also. (10)
- Q 3
- A conical draft-tube having inlet and outlet diameters 0.8 m and 1.2 m discharges water at outlet with a velocity of 3 m/s. The total length of the draft-tube is 8 m and 2 m of the length of draft-tube is immersed in water. If the atmospheric pressure head is 10.3 m of water and loss of head due to friction in the draft-tube is equal to 0.25 times the velocity head at outlet of the tube (i) Calculate the pressure head at inlet, (ii) Determine the efficiency of the draft-tube
  - Draw a general layout of a hydroelectric power plant using a reaction turbine (5, 5)
- Q 4
- Explain how a Cordier diagram assists in selecting a suitable type of turbo-machine based on specific speed and specific diameter, considering different operating requirements.
  - List the various regions of the Cordier diagram along with their specific speed ( $N_s$ ) and specific diameter ( $D_s$ ) ranges.
  - Draw a neat labeled Cordier diagram showing the classification zones for different turbo-machines. (4, 3, 3)

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## Section – C (10 marks)

- Q 5** a) Define the “Buckingham theorem”.
- b) Analyze and explain the Performance Characteristics of Hydraulic Pumps, describing the relationship between head, discharge, efficiency, and power, with the help of neat and labeled diagrams. (2, 8)
- Q 6** The diameter and stroke length of a single-acting reciprocating pump are **100 mm** and **200 mm**, respectively. The lengths of the suction & delivery pipes are **10 meters** and **30 meters**, respectively, and their diameters are **50 mm**. If the pump is running at **30 r.p.m.**, and the suction & delivery heads are **3.5 meters** and **20 meters**, respectively. Find the pressure head in the cylinder: (i) At the beginning of the suction and delivery stroke, (ii) In the middle of the suction and delivery stroke (iii) At the end of the suction and delivery stroke. Assume: Atmospheric pressure head = **10.3 meters** of water, Coefficient of friction = **0.009** for both pipes. Also, find out the power required to drive the pump, if the liquid flowing through the pump is water. (10)
- Q 7** a) Explain the construction and working of the Hydraulic Intensifier with the help of a neat & labeled diagram.
- b) A hydraulic ram is receiving water at the rate of **0.022 m<sup>3</sup>/s** from a height of **3.3 m**, and it raises **0.0022 m<sup>3</sup>/s** to a height of **5 m** from the ram. Determine D'Aubuisson's and Rankine's efficiencies of the hydraulic ram.

(6, 4)