

2055  
B.E. (Mechanical Engineering)  
Eighth Semester  
MEC-802: Non-Conventional Energy Source

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 50

*NOTE: Attempt five questions in all, including Question No. 1 which is compulsory and selecting two questions from each Part.*

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- Q1. (a) Define solar insulation. 2\*5=10  
(b) What do you understand by two-axis tracking concentrator?  
(c) What do you mean by 'Aperture area' of the collector?  
(d) What is biomass energy?  
(e) What do you mean by seawater desalination system?

**PART A**

- Q2. (a) Explain salient points relating to radiation spectrum emitting from sun and the earth. 5  
(b) Write your perspective on the energy planning issues aiming to bridge the gap between the energy demand and energy supply situation in India. 5
- Q3. (a) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of focussing collectors over flat plate collectors. 5  
(b) Discuss the principle of collection of solar energy in a solar still with a neat sketch 5
- Q4. (a) Make a comparison between fixed dome and floating dome biogas plants. 5  
(b) Discuss counter current and co-current gasifiers. 5

**PART B**

- Q5. Discuss, in detail, various components of wind energy conversion system and their function. 10
- Q6. Describe with the help of a schematic diagram the working of liquid and vapor dominated geothermal plant. 10
- Q7. (a) Write short note on the following: Single basin tidal plant. 5  
(b) Discuss the working of open and hybrid cycle OTEC system. 5

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