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Fourth Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, May 2020

Polymer Chemistry

PC 242 : POLYMER CHEMISTRY - II

(2018 Admission)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

SECTION - A

Answer two among (a), (b) and (c) from each question. Each sub-question carries 2 marks.:

- 1. (a) What do you mean by Plasma polymerization?
 - (b) What are the advantages of immobilised enzymes?
 - (c) What is a hybrid nanocomposite? Give examples.
- 2. (a) What is an artificial enzyme? How are they formed?
 - (b) What are the different types of biometric systems? Give two main functions.
 - (c) Define isoelectric point and Zwitterion.
- 3. (a) What are piezoelectric polymers? Give examples.
 - (b) What are lonomers? Give their applications.
 - (c) Explain electron beam lithography.

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- (a) Explain the terms fibre tenacity and felting.
 - (b) Explain the term Bingham plastics and thixotropy.
 - (c) What are polymer alloys? Give their applications.
- 5. (a) What are the advantages of two roll mill mixing techniques?
 - (b) Explain the different methods to improve the flame resistance of polymers.
 - (c) What are specific features of neoprene compared to other rubbers?

 $(10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ Marks})$

SECTION - B

Answer either (a) or (b) from each question. Each sub question carries 5 marks.

- (a) Describe the method for preparing polystyrene capped gold nanoparticles.
 - (b) Discuss the various reactions that polystyrene can undergo.
- (a) Write a note on degradation of polymers by micro-organisms.
 - (b) Explain the importance and applications of gene technology in medicine.
- 8. (a) Illustrate the mechanism of conduction in polyaniline.
 - (b) Explain photoconductive and pyroelectric polymers.
- (a) State and explain Fick's law and Henry's law.
 - (b) Draw the stress strain curve for rubber, plastics and fibers. Describe the significance of tensile and tear properties of polymers.
- 10. (a) Write the preparation and applications of polyimide and PMMA.
 - (b) What are the roles of stabilizers and plasticizers and antioxidants in the manufacture of PVC products?

 $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ Marks})$

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SECTION - C

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 10 marks. :

- 11. What is meant by mastication? How does it done in rubber compounding? Discuss the function of twin-screw extruders.
- Explain Newtonian an non-Newtonian fluids with examples and discuss the significance of mechanical properties such as of tensile strength, compression set and abrasion resistance of polymers.
- 13. What are the structural criteria required for the formation of liquid crystalline polymers? Discuss their applications.
- Discuss the applications of Genetic Engineering in medicine, agriculture and biology.
- Explain the mechanism and kinetics of atom transfer radical polymerization (ATRP). Give their applications.

 $(3 \times 10 = 30 \text{ Marks})$