

**B.E. MECHANICAL ENGINEERING (PART TIME) FIRST YEAR SECOND
SEMESTER – 2018**

FLUID MACHINERY I

Time: 3 hrs

Full Marks: 100

Answer **five** questions

All the parts of a question should be answered together.

1. a) With a neat sketch describe the major components of a Kaplan turbine installation. 8
- b) Deduce the Reynolds Transport Equation. Obtain the expression for torque developed by a turbo machine from it. 12
2. a) How does the role of turbine casing differ for a Pelton and a Francis turbine? 5
- b) Why is a Pelton turbine unsuitable for low heads? 5
- c) A Kaplan turbine develops 15000 kW power at a head of 30 m. The diameter of the boss is 0.35 times the diameter of the runner. Assume a speed ratio 2.0 and overall efficiency 90%. If the flow velocity is 15.77 m/s calculate the runner diameter, rotational speed and specific speed. 10

3.a) Show that using a draft tube causes the pressure at the exit of a reaction turbine to fall below atmospheric pressure. 5

b) Discuss why the degree of reaction of a Pelton turbine is zero 5

c) A Pelton wheel 2.5 m diameter operates under the following conditions:

Available head= 300m . Speed= 300 rpm. Blade friction coefficient= 0.98

Coefficient of velocity of jet=0.98. Blade angle = 165° . Diameter of jet= 20 cm

Mechanical efficiency=0.95. Determine the power developed, hydraulic efficiency and specific speed. 10

4. a) Draw neat velocity diagrams for slow, medium and fast Francis runners assuming no whirl at outlet. 5

b) Explain why cavitation takes place in a centrifugal pump and discuss how it may be prevented. 7

c) An inward flow reaction turbine has an inlet guide vane angle of 30° and inlet blade angle of 60° . The breadth of the runner at inlet is a quarter of the diameter. The overall head is 15 m and the speed is 1000 rpm. The hydraulic and overall efficiencies are respectively 0.88 and 0.85. Determine the runner diameter at inlet and the power developed. 8

5 a) Explain the terms manometric efficiency, mechanical and overall efficiency of a hydraulic turbine and establish a relation between them. 7

b) A centrifugal pump is to discharge 100 liters/s at a speed of 1450 rpm against a

head of 15 m. The impeller has an outer diameter of 25 cm with a width at the outlet of 6 cm. The manometric efficiency is 0.8. Determine the blade angle at outlet. 8

- c) A centrifugal pump with critical cavitation factor 0.12 is to be installed at a location where barometric and vapour pressures are respectively 95 kPa and 3 kPa absolute. If the pump is to deliver $0.15 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ of water against a head of 25 m calculate the maximum allowable elevation above sump water surface assuming frictional head loss in suction pipe to be 0.25 m of water. 5

- 6 a) Using Buckingham's Pi-theorem determine the major non-dimensional parameters which are used in turbomachine analysis. Hence obtain the expressions for specific speeds of a turbine and pump. 10+4

- b) A turbine develops 8000 kW when running at 100 rpm. The head on the turbine is 30 m. If the head is reduced to 18 m, determine the speed and power developed by the turbine. 6