

## Q1 - Attempt any FIVE (10 Marks)

### 1) Two types of transformer dimmers for illumination control:

Variable autotransformer (Variac) and Electronic dimmer transformer

### 3) Function of centrifugal switch in single phase induction motor:

Disconnects the starting winding from the supply once the motor reaches 70-80% of synchronous speed, preventing damage to starting winding and improving efficiency.

### 4) Reason for skewed rotor bars in 3-phase induction motor:

Reduces magnetic noise and vibration by preventing cogging and crawling effects, ensuring smooth operation and better torque characteristics.

### 5) Slip and synchronous speed:

**Slip (s):** Difference between synchronous speed and actual rotor speed, expressed as percentage or decimal

**Synchronous speed (Ns):** Speed of rotating magnetic field =  $120f/P$  rpm  
(f=frequency, P=poles)

### 6) Two applications of variable frequency drives:

Speed control in industrial processes (pumps, fans, conveyors)

And Energy saving in HVAC systems and variable torque applications

## Q2 - Attempt any THREE (12 Marks)

### 3) Energy conservation techniques for induction motor:i)

**i) Operating in star mode:** Reduces voltage per phase by  $\sqrt{3}$  times ,Decreases starting current and torque ,Suitable for light load conditions, Saves energy during low load periods

**ii) Improving power quality:**Use power factor correction capacitors , armonic filters to reduce THD, Maintain balanced supply voltage, Reduces losses and improves efficiency

### 4) Weekly maintenance of 1-phase induction motor:

( **Visual inspection**) Check for physical damage, loose connections( **Cleaning** )Remove dust and debris from motor body and ventilation ( **Lubrication**)Check bearing lubrication if applicable( **Electrical testing**) Measure insulation resistance, check winding continuity( **Performance check**) Monitor current, voltage, and temperature( **Vibration check**) Ensure smooth operation without excessive vibration

### 5) Need of energy conservation in transformer:

- (Reduces losses ( Minimizes core and copper losses (Cost savings) Lower operating expenses (Extended life) Less heating increases insulation life (Environmental

**benefits)** Reduces carbon footprint (**Regulatory compliance**) Meets energy efficiency standards (**Reduced cooling requirements**) Lower maintenance costs