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- Instructions* –
- (1) All Questions are *Compulsory*.
 - (2) Answer each next main Question on a new page.
 - (3) Illustrate your answers with neat sketches wherever necessary.
 - (4) Figures to the right indicate full marks. Abbreviations used convey usual meaning.
 - (5) Assume suitable data, if necessary.
 - (6) Use of Non-programmable Electronic Pocket Calculator is permissible.
 - (7) Mobile Phone, Pager and any other Electronic Communication devices are not permissible in Examination Hall.

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1. Answer any TEN of the following:

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- a) Define :
 - i) polymer
 - ii) fibre
- b) State any two characteristics of ionic polymerisation.
- c) Define 'functionality', state functionality of :
 - i) adipic acid
 - ii) glycerol

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- d) State meaning of addition polymerisation.
- e) What is the meaning of critical micelle concentration (CMC)?
- f) What is weight average molecular weight? State its formula.
- g) Define : Commodity plastics. Give two examples.
- h) Define glass transition temperature. State the glass transition temperature of poly (vinyl chloride)
- i) Give the classification of polymers.
- j) Write the initiation step in free radical polymerisation.
- k) Define ' \overline{M}_n ', which value is higher ' \overline{M}_n ' or ' \overline{M}_w '?
- l) Define 'surfactants'. State their role in emulsion polymerisation.

2. Answer any **FOUR** of the following:

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- a) Explain the factors influencing the glass transition temperature.
- b) What is polymer degradation? Explain with an example, mechanical degradation of polymer.
- c) Explain random copolymers.
- d) Describe bulk polymerisation technique.
- e) Explain use of cryoscopy in determination of average molecular weight of polymer.
- f) Differentiate between thermoplastic and thermosetting polymers. Give an example of each.

3. Answer any FOUR of the following:**16**

- a) Explain coordination polymerisation with a suitable example.
- b) Write stepwise procedure for solution polymerisation of acrylic.
- c) Explain importance of glass transition temperature of a polymer.
- d) Explain with an example UV degradation of polymer. How can the degradation, controlled?
- e) State the principle of ebulliometry. How is it useful in the determination of molecular weight of polymers experimentally?
- f) Define 'Viscosity'. State effect of temperature on viscosity. Name a viscometer used in determination of molecular weight of polymer \overline{M}_v . State precautions to be taken in using the viscometer.

4. Answer any FOUR of the following:**16**

- a) What is an engineering plastics? Give any four examples of engineering plastics.
- b) Explain polycondensation reaction in detail.
- c) What is an emulsion polymerisation technique? Give any two merits and two demerits of it.
- d) Define a homopolymer and a copolymer. Give any two examples of each.
- e) Explain osmosis method for determination of molecular weight of polymers.
- f) Explain why are polymers represented by 'average molecular weight' \overline{M} ? Explain significance of \overline{M} .

5. Answer any FOUR of the following:**16**

- a) Compare solution and suspension polymerisation techniques on the basis of their merits and demerits.
- b) Explain chain transfer reaction.
- c) Compare cationic - and anionic - polymerisation.
- d) Explain alternate and block copolymers. Represent them schematically.
- e) Explain the concept of K-value.
- f) Describe the sedimentation method for the determination of molecular weight.

6. Answer any FOUR of the following:**16**

- a) Explain the concept of co-polycondensation polymerisation.
 - b) Distinguish : addition polymerisation and condensation polymerisation.
 - c) Explain the effect of plasticisers on the glass transition temperature.
 - d) Explain the oxidative degradation of a polymer. Give a specific.
 - e) Write Carother's equation. Interpret it.
 - f) How can we prevent the degradation of polymers?
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