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SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015 EXAMINATION
SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

COURSE CODE: CHM 314

COURSE TITLE: Environmental Chemistry

TIME: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTION: Answer any Four Questions

QUESTION ONE

- a) Discuss the importance of waste water treatment prior to discharge into a receiving body of water. (13¹/₂ marks)
- b) Write briefly on effects of solid waste in the environment. (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO

State and describe the types of conventional waste water treatment

17¹/₂ marks.

QUESTION THREE

a.) Explain briefly the following solid waste disposal methods

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| i) | Composting | 6 marks |
| ii) | Incineration | 6 marks |

b.) Calculate the total acidity of a water sample if 100 ml of the water sample was added 2 drops of phenolphthalein indicator and titrated with 2.3 ml of 0.02 M of NaOH.

5 ¹/₂ marks

QUESTION FOUR

Write briefly on the sources, significance and application of the following physical parameters relevant to water analysis

- i. **Turbidity**

17¹/₂ marks.

QUESTION FIVE

- a.) **10 ml of a river sample was transferred to a 300ml BOD bottle and diluted to 300 ml with organic free, oxygen saturated water. The initial dissolved oxygen was determined and found to be 9.1 mg/L. The BOD bottled was tightly stoppered and placed in the incubator at 20⁰ C for five days after which the dissolved oxygen was again determined and found to be 4.4 mg/L. Calculate the BOD of this wastewater. If the WHO permissible limit of BOD in a sample of river water is 5 mg/L, what information can be derived from the BOD calculated.**

13 marks

- b.) **State the application of BOD data**

4¹/₂ marks

QUESTION SIX

Discuss the sources and effects of the following pollutants in the environment.

i.SO₂

ii.NO and NO₂

17¹/₂ marks