COMPUTER NETWORK

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 90

Note: Attempt Five questions in all, selecting ONE question from each Unit. Question No. 1 is compulsory. All questions carry equal marks.

(Short answer type question):

- a) What are the software requirements for establishing a computer network?
- b) What is the purpose of a hub in a network?
- c) Differentiate between Band width and Band rate.
- d) Why is data compression required in a Computer Network?
- e) Differentiate a copper wire and fibre cable.
- f) Explain Protocol and Interface.

UNIT-I

- 2. What are the benefits of computer networks? Give a brief history of OSI reference model?
- 3. (a) What is architecture of ATM? Why it uses small length cells?
 - b) What is X.25 and where do we use it?

Unit-II

- 4. Differentiate:
 - a) Analog transmission and Digital transmissionb) Circuit switching and Packet switching.
- 5. Write the working of:
 - a) Satellite Communication.
 - b) The role of modem and null modem.

UNIT-III

- a) Discuss various error detection and correction methods used in data link layer. Give an example also.
 - b) Discuss the features of the following devices:
 - i) Repeaters
 - ii) Bridges.
- 7. Explain steps involved in designing a local area network (LAN). Are these same in a wireless LAN too?

UNIT-IV

- 8. What is routing? What are the desirable properties of a routing algorithm? Explain the working of shortest path routing algorithm?
 - Write notes on :a) Congestion Control
 - b) Flooding
 - c) Network Security.