

B.E. / B.Tech. - DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, NOV / DEC 2025

Sixth Semester

Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering

20ICEL601 - POWER PLANT INSTRUMENTATION

Regulations - 2020

Duration: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

PART - A (MCQ) (10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

	<i>Marks</i>	<i>K - Level</i>	<i>CO</i>
1. What is a hydropower plant? (a) Mechanical energy from the stagnant water currents (b) Electrical energy from the moving water currents (c) Potential energy from the water currents (d) Electrical energy from the moving water currents	1	K1	CO1
2. Where was India's first nuclear power plant was installed at? (a) Obninsk (b) Tarapur, Maharashtra (c) Boisar, Maharashtra (d) None of the mentioned	1	K1	CO1
3. When steam after doing work in the cylinder passes into a condenser, the engine is said to be a _____ (a) slow speed engine (b) vertical steam engine (c) condensing steam engine (d) no-condensing steam engine	1	Kx	CO2
4. An economiser is installed in a boiler primarily to _____ (a) increase steam pressure (b) reduce fuel consumption (c) superheat the steam (d) all of the mentioned	1	K1	CO2
5. In natural draught, increase in height of the chimney, the draught will (a) increases (b) decreases (c) remains constant (d) first increases then decreases	1	K1	CO3
6. The air pressure at the fuel bed is reduced below that of the atmosphere by means of a fan placed near the bottom of the chimney to produce a draught. Such a draught is called (a) natural draft (b) induced draft (c) forced draft (d) actuated draft	1	K1	CO3
7. Common size unit of a Steam Power Plant is? (a) 500 MW(e) (b) 150 MW(e) (c) 300 MW(e) (d) 30 MW(e)	1	K1	CO4
8. What is done to increase the rate of heat transfer in the Velox boiler? (a) The boiler is heated up to a very high range of temperature (b) The size of the boiler is changed as it is flexible (c) High-grade fuel is made use for the combustion (d) Combustion gases are circulated through tubes with supersonic speed	1	K1	CO4
9. Which of the following statements about throttle governing is wrong? (a) It cannot be used in small turbines (b) It has a relatively simpler mechanism (c) Steam is throttled whenever the load falls below the design load (d) Its initial cost is less	1	K1	CO5
10. In case of throttle governing, the beat valve is operated using oil supply. The oil is supplies using a _____ (a) centrifugal pump (b) servomotor (c) reciprocatory pump (d) diaphragm pump	1	K1	CO5

PART - B (12 × 2 = 24 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

11. Compare hydro and thermal power plant.	2	K2	CO1
12. What are the parameters to be considered to select a site for constructing a hydro power plant?	2	K1	CO1
13. State the purpose of Flue gas analyzer.	2	K1	CO2

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| 14. What is called shrink and swell effects in boiler? | 2 | K1 | CO2 |
| 15. Infer the role of soot blowing in a thermal power plant. | 2 | K1 | CO3 |
| 16. State the significance of coal pulverizer control in boilers used in thermal plants. | 2 | K1 | CO3 |
| 17. What is boiler blow down? | 2 | K1 | CO4 |
| 18. Relate different types of interlocks. | 2 | K2 | CO4 |
| 19. State the purpose of oil cooling system in a turbo-alternator. | 2 | K1 | CO5 |
| 20. How vibration is monitored in steam turbine? | 2 | K1 | CO5 |
| 21. Compare throttle and nozzle control governing. | 2 | K2 | CO5 |
| 22. How turbine casing movement is measured? | 2 | K1 | CO5 |

PART - C (6 × 11 = 66 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

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| 23. a) Explain in detail about the layout of Hydro power plant also discuss its advantages and disadvantages. | 11 | K2 | CO1 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Explain the importance of instrumentation in power plant. | 11 | K2 | CO1 |
| 24. a) Draw a neat sketch of Dissolved O ₂ Analyzer and explain its operation (Any two methods). | 11 | K2 | CO2 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Explain the working principle of instrument used to measure non electrical parameters | 11 | K2 | CO2 |
| 25. a) Explain the importance of Air/Fuel ratio control in a boiler and the methods of controlling the Air/Fuel ratio with necessary diagram. | 11 | K2 | CO3 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Describe the operation of the following with necessary sketches:
(i) Deaerator (ii) Spray-water Attemperators | 11 | K2 | CO3 |
| 26. a) Examine the structure of modern Distributed Control System used in power plant. | 11 | K3 | CO4 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Illustrate the two-element drum level control and three-element boiler drum level control with neat sketch. | 11 | K3 | CO4 |
| 27. a) What are the mechanisms adopted to control the steam pressure, flow and temperature at the turbine inlet? | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| OR | | | |
| b) How do you control the lubricant oil temperature and what are the control measures adopted to maintain the lubricant temperature at desired value? | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| 28. a) Explain the lubrication system adopted for steam turbines with a schematic diagram. | 11 | K2 | CO5 |
| OR | | | |
| b) Illustrate how to monitor about the shell temperature of a turbine and how to control the same. | 11 | K2 | CO5 |