



CBCS SCHEME

17AE52

Fifth Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2019/Jan.2020 Introduction to Composite Materials

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.

Module-1

- 1 a. What is a composite material and how are they classified? (05 Marks)
- b. What are the limitations of modern composites? (05 Marks)
- c. What advantages and drawbacks do composites have over metals? (10 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Give five examples of naturally found composites. What are the constituents of these natural composites? (10 Marks)
- b. Define the following:
 - i) Isotropic body
 - ii) Orthotropic body
 - iii) Anisotropic body
 - iv) Homogeneous body and
 - v) Non homogeneous body. (10 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. What are the fiber factors contribute to the mechanical performance of a composite? (10 Marks)
- b. What are the matrix factors contribute to the mechanical performance of a composite? (10 Marks)

OR

- 4 a. Describe extrusion and injection moulding manufacturing method of polymer matrix composites with neat sketch. (10 Marks)
- b. Applications of polymer matrix, ceramic matrix and carbon matrix. (10 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 Based on the strength of material approach, determine the four elastic moduli of a unidirectional lamina
 - i) Longitudinal Young's modulus E_1
 - ii) Transverse Young's modulus E_2
 - iii) Major Poisson's ratio ν_{12}
 - iv) In-Plane shear modulus, G_{12} (20 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Number of independent elastic constants for three-dimensional anisotropic, monoclinic, orthotropic, transversely isotropic and isotropic materials. (05 Marks)
- b. Derive the stress transformation matrix from local fiber coordinate system (x-y) to global coordinate system (1-2) in two-dimensional. (15 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. Based on the Von-Mises distortional energy theory, determine the parameters of Tsai-Hill failure criterion. (15 Marks)
b. Explain maximum stress and maximum strain theory through Mohr circle diagram. (05 Marks)

OR

- 8 Based on classical laminate plate theory, derive the forces $\{N\}$ and moments $\{M\}$ resultants related to midplane strains and curvatures of a laminate. (20 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. Applications of composite materials in
i) Automobile industry (15 Marks)
ii) Aerospace industry (05 Marks)
iii) Sports equipment.
b. Short notes on future potential of composites.

OR

- 10 a. Explain destructive and non-destructive testing of composite structures. (10 Marks)
b. Explain tensile, compression, flexural, shear and hardness testing of composite structural component. (10 Marks)
