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Seventh Semester B.E./B.Tech. Degree Examination, Dec.2024/Jan.2025 Solid Waste Management

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

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

Module-1

- 1 a. Define solid waste management. Explain the various functional elements of solid waste management. (10 Marks)
 - b. Estimate the density of the given solid waste sample, considering weight of solid waste as 1000 kg.

Component	Percentage by mass	Density (kg/m ³)		
Food waste	20	290		
Paper	35	85		
Cardboard	10	55		
Plastic	12	70		
Graden trimmings	10	110		
Wood	08	240		
Tin cans	05	90		

(10 Marks)

OR

- 2 a. Define solid waste. Describe the various type based classification of solid waste. (10 Marks)
 - b. From the following data, estimate the per capita waste generation rate per day for a residential area consisting of 1500 houses. The observation period is one week number of occupants per house is 4.

Vehicle type	No. of loads	Volume of vehicle(m ³)	density of solid waste (kg/m ³)
Compactor	10	15.3	296.5
Flat bed load	08	1.5	133.4
Private truth	25	0.25	100 .

(10 Marks)

Module-2

- 3 a. With neat sketches, explain the operational sequence of hauled container system and stationary container system. (10 Marks)
 - b. What are transfer stations? What are the needs for a transfer station?

(10 Marks)

OR

4 a. Explain the various collection components of solid waste management.

(10 Marks)

- b. Write short notes on:
 - i) Route optimization
 - ii) Different means of solid waste transport.

(10 Marks)

Module-3

- 5 a. Explain the different methods of component separation in municipal solid waste management. (10 Marks)
 - b. Discuss about the composting process. What are the factors affecting the process of composting. (10 Marks)

OR

- 6 a. Describe the Indore and Bangalore methods of composting. (10 Marks)
 - b. Explain the different methods of volume and size reduction. (10 Marks)

Module-4

- 7 a. Determine the landfill area required for a municipality with a population of 1,00,000. Given that:
 - i) Solid waste generation = 500 g persons day
 - ii) Compacted density of landfill = 504 kg/m³
 - iii) Average depth of compacted SW = 3m. (10 Marks)
 - b. Write a note on 3 T's of incineration and the factors affecting incineration process. (10 Marks)

OR

- 8 a. What are landfill gases and leachates? How can we control it? (10 Marks)
 - b. Write a note on
 - i) Types of sanitary landfill
 - ii) Prevention of air pollution in incineration.

(10 Marks)

Module-5

- 9 a. Explain the sources, effects and treatments of biomedical waste. (10 Marks)
 - b. Discuss about the sources and recycling of E-waste. (10 Marks)

OR

- 10 a. Write an explanatory note on the reuse and recycle of materials in solid waste management.
 (10 Marks)
 - b. Discuss on the environmental significance of disposal of plastic wastes. (10 Marks)

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