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- 1. (a) With a neat diagram explain breeder reactor.
 - (b) Compare nuclear power plants with thermal power plants. [8+8]
- 2. (a) What are the advantages of reheating in a gas turbine power plant?
 - (b) How regeneration improves the thermal efficiency of a simple open gas turbine?

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- 3. (a) What is fuel cell?
 - (b) Explain hydrogen-oxygen cell.
- 4. What do you understand by 'output handling of coal'? What are the different methods of output coal handling? Discuss their relative merits and demerits. [16]
- 5. (a) Explain
 - i. Plant use factor
 - ii. Plant capacity factor
 - iii. load factor.
 - (b) A central power station has annual factors as follows: Load factor =60% Capacity factor= 40%
 - Use factor=50%

Power station has a maximum demand of 15MW. Determine

- i. Annual energy production
- ii. Reverse capacity over and above peak load
- iii. Hours per year not in service. [8+8]
- 6. Give the lay out of a diesel power plant and explain clearly the principle of working.
- 7. What are the factors considered in selecting a prime-mover for a hydro electric power plant? [16]
- 8. (a) Explain the factors which are responsible for efficient design of boiler.
 - (b) What are the major advantages of high pressure boilers in modern thermal power plant? [10+6]

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- 1. (a) Give the classification of coal and their characteristics.
 - [6+10](b) Explain different stages in coal desulphurization process.
- 2. What are the different types of reactors commonly used in nuclear power stations? Describe the fast breeder reactor with a diagram. |16|
- 3. (a) What are the important coal properties relevant to the thermal power plant?
 - (b) What is a coal oil mixture and how it is prepared? What are the merits of coal oil mixture as a boiler fuel? [6+10]
- (a) Differentiate flat plate collectors and focusing collectors. 4.
 - (b) Describe flat plate collector with a diagram. [8+8]
- (a) What do you mean by depreciation? Enumerate and explain briefly various 5.methods used to calculate the depreciation cost.
 - (b) What are the effects of SO2, NO2 and hydrocarbons on the human and crop lives? |8+8|
- 6. (a) Describe advantages and disadvantages of hydroelectric power plant.
 - (b) What is spill way? Explain any two spill ways. [8+8]
- 7. A gas turbine plant is designed to develop 5 MW power. The inlet pressure and temperacture of the air to the compressor an 1 bar and 30^{0} C. The pressure ratio of the cycle is 5. A reheater is used between two turbines at a pressure of 2.24bar. Calculate the overall efficiency of the cycle and mass flow rate assuming the following data:

Isentropic η of the compressor = 80% Isentropic η of the turbines = 85%

 $C_p a = 1 \text{ KJ/kg-k}, C_p g = 1.15 \text{ kj/kg-k}, \gamma = 1.4 \text{ for air } \gamma = 1.33 \text{ for gases. Neglet}$ the mass of the fuel. [16]

- 8. (a) Explain the important functions of a lubricating system.
 - (b) Explain the necessity of the cooling system in a diesel engine. What are the methods of cooling the engine? |6+10|

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- 1. (a) What are different types of fans used for producing draught? What is a balanced draught?
 - (b) What is a pressurised furnace? What are its characteristic features? [8+8]
- 2. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of horizontal and vertical axis wind mills with neat sketches. [16]
- 3. (a) Write short notes on:
 - i. Inter cooler
 - ii. Heat exchanger
 - (b) With the aid of neat sketches briefly describe different arrangements of power plant. [8+8]
- 4. What are the basic energy resources in india? List out their capacities in different regions. [16]
- 5. (a) Why supercharging is necessary is diesel plant? What are the methods used for super charging the diesel engine?
 - (b) What are the advantages of super charging? [10+6]
- 6. (a) Explain various safety measures required to be taken for safe operation of a hydraulic power plant.
 - (b) How are dams classified?

[8+8]

- 7. (a) What do you understand by breeding? What factors control the breeding?
 - (b) Draw a neat diagram of breeder reactor and list out its advantages and disadvantages. Why only sodium is used as coolant in breeder reactors? [6+10]
- 8. A power station has the following loads:
 - (a) Residential heating load: Maximum demand = 1200 KW Load factor = 0.21 Diversity between consumers = 1.32
 - (b) Commercial load: Maximum demand = 2400KW Load factor =0.3 Diversity between consumers=1.2

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(c) Industrial load: Maximum demand = 6000KW Load factor = 0.82 Diversity between consumers = 1.22 Overall diversity factor may be taken as 1.44

Determine the following:

- (a) maximum demand on system
- (b) daily energy consumption(total)
- (c) overall load factor
- (d) Connected load (total) assuming that demand factor for each load is unity.

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- 1. (a) What are affects of impure water in the boiler?
 - (b) Explain the water treatment process in power plants. [6+10]
- 2. (a) What are the different fields where the use of diesel power plant is essential?
 - (b) How do you classify I.C engines? Describe the working of two storke and four storke engines. [6+10]
- 3. (a) What are the capital cost and fixed cost to be considered for cost analysis?
 - (b) A power plant has the installed capacity of 120MW. Calculate the cost of generation, if Capital cost = Rs. 120×10^6 , rate of interest and depreciation =18% Annual cost of fuel oil, salaries and taxation= Rs. 25×10^6 , load factor=40%. [6+10]
- 4. How are dams classified? What factors are considered in selecting a type of dam? Explain any one of dam with neat sketch. [16]
- 5. Explain two types of reactors widely used in nuclear power plants with neat diagrams. [16]
- 6. (a) Classify and explain the working of mechanical dust collectors.
 - (b) Explain about pulse jet dust collector. [8+8]
- 7. (a) What are the advantages and disadvantages of direct energy conversion systems over conversional power generation systems?
 - (b) How is silicon cells fabricated? [8+8]
- 8. (a) Discuss the part load behaviour of combined cycle and compare with conventional gas turbine plant of the same capacity.
 - (b) What are the major advantages of a combined cycle system? [8+8]
