

M.Sc. DEGREE II SEMESTER EXAMINATION IN
ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY
MAY 2005

ENV 2201 CHEMICAL METHODS IN
ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

PART - A

(Answer any five questions)

(All questions carry equal marks)

(5 x 2 = 10)

- I. 1. What is the symbol for the nucleus remaining after $^{42}_{20}\text{Ca}$ undergoes β -emission?
2. What is "chemical oxygen demand"?
3. Define liquid-junction potential.
4. Explain the collection of SPM for analysis.
5. What is the function of a nebulizer?
6. Explain the term "chemical deviation from Beer's law".

PART - B

(Answer any five questions)

(All questions carry equal marks)

(5 x 3 = 15)

- II. 1. Explain the working of a GM counter.
2. What is the principle of a flame photometer? Explain its usefulness.
3. How does information supplied by a direct potentiometric measurement of pH differ from that obtained from a potentiometric acid/base titration?
4. Describe the differences between the following:-
- spectrophotometers and photometers.
 - monochromators and polychromators.
 - single-beam and double-beam instruments for absorbance measurements.

(Turn Over)

5. Describe how CO in polluted air is sampled and estimated.
6. Explain the principle of colorimetric determination of nitrate in water.

PART - C

(Answer ***any five*** questions)

(All questions carry ***equal*** marks)

(5 x 5 = 25)

- III. Explain the principle involved in atomic absorption spectrophotometry and discuss its application to trace metal determination in water.
- IV. Define ion-selective electrode. How will you estimate fluoride in a water sample using ion selective electrode?
- V. Explain the principle involved in the colorimetric estimation of dissolved reactive phosphate in water.
- VI. Write a short note on gamma-ray spectroscopy.
- VII. Differentiate nephelometry and turbidimetry with suitable examples.
- VIII. Explain various sampling devices used in air quality analysis.