

## DiplETE – ET (OLD SCHEME)

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Code: DE17  
Time: 3 Hours

Subject: ELEMENTS OF SATELLITE COMMUNICATION  
Max. Marks: 100

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**NOTE:** There are 9 Questions in all.

- Question 1 is compulsory and carries 20 marks. Answer to Q.1 must be written in the space provided for it in the answer book supplied and nowhere else.
  - The answer sheet for the Q.1 will be collected by the invigilator after half an hour of the commencement of the examination.
  - Out of the remaining EIGHT Questions answer any FIVE Questions. Each question carries 16 marks.
  - Any required data not explicitly given, may be suitably assumed and stated.
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**Q.1 Choose the correct or the best alternative in the following: (2 × 10)**

- a. Which one of the following satellite system is used for weather forecast application?
- (A) COMSAT (B) SPOT  
(C) TIROS-N (D) none of the above
- b. 6 GHz / 4 GHz bands are most popular for satellite communication because.....
- (A) RF components for these bands are readily available  
(B) Rain attenuation is not much serious at these bands  
(C) Sky noise is low at 4 GHz  
(D) All the above
- c. The multiple satellite access techniques which is suitable only for digital transmission is
- (A) Frequency Division Multiple Access(FDMA)  
(B) Time Division Multiple Access(TDMA)  
(C) Either (a) or (b)  
(D) Both (a) and (b)
- d. Time needed to complete one revolution around the earth by a geo-stationary satellite is approximate
- (A) 13 hours 56 minutes  
(B) 23 hours 56 minutes  
(C) 36 hours 40 minutes  
(D) The satellite is stationary thus no revolution

- e. The INSAT operates in
- (A) C - band (B) S - band  
(C) L - band (D) none of the above
- f. The range of K band is
- (A) 1-2 GHz (B) 16-24 GHz  
(C) 24-36 GHz (D) none of the above
- g. DAMA stands for
- (A) Direct Assigned Multiple Access  
(B) Differential Assigned Multiple Access  
(C) Digital Assigned Multiple Access  
(D) Demand Assigned Multiple Access
- h. Digital DBS-TV signals are transmitted as
- (A) 20-Mbps PSK  
(B) 10-Mbps PSK  
(C) 20-Mbps QPSK  
(D) 10-Mbps QPSK
- i. The angles (coordinates) to which an earth station antenna must be pointed to communicate with the geosynchronous satellite are
- (A) Direct angles (B) Equatorial angles  
(C) Inclined angles (D) Look angles
- j. In the data broadcast services of the VSAT application, data is up linked from....
- (A) a central location and received by many users  
(B) many location and received by a central user  
(C) many location and received by many users  
(D) a central location and received by a central user

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**Answer any FIVE Questions out of EIGHT Questions.  
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- Q.2** a. (i) List out the frequency bands used for satellite services. (2)  
(ii) What are the advantages and disadvantages of satellite communication? (6)
- b. For a satellite earth station receiver working on 4 GHz, the typical various gains and noise temperatures are  $T_{in} = 50$  K,  $T_{RF} = 50$  K,  $T_m = 500$  K,  $T_{IF} = 1000$  K,  $G_{RF} = 23$  dB,  $G_m = 0$  dB,  $G_{IF} = 30$  dB. Calculate the system noise temperature. (8)

- Q.3** a. What is meant by Station keeping? (6)
- b. Write note on ASK, PSK, FSK, and QPSK. (2.5×4)
- Q.4** a. Compare TDMA & FDMA. What are the advantages of TDMA over FDMA? (8)
- b. Explain the functions of any ONE of the following satellite sub systems.  
(i) Repeater  
(ii) Telemetry tracking and command system. (8)
- Q.5** a. Explain FDM technique used for satellite communication. (8)
- b. Explain spread spectrum technique used for satellite communication? (8)
- Q.6** a. Explain how the location of satellite in an orbit is carried out with respect to Earth? (8)
- b. Explain what the abbreviation SCPC stands for. Explain in detail the operation of a simple SCPC system. (8)
- Q.7** a. What are the equipments that an earth station requires? Discuss their design requirement. (8)
- b. Draw basic block diagram of earth station receiver and explain its working. (8)
- Q.8** a. Briefly discuss about INSAT I and INSAT II. (8)
- b. Explain working of telephone services via satellite with help of suitable sketch? (8)
- Q.9** Write short notes on (any TWO) (2×8=16)
- (i) IMARSAT.  
(ii) Network architecture of CATV.  
(iii) Altitude and orbit control.