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Time : 03 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Instruction to Candidates:

- 1) Attempt any Five questions.
- 2) All questions carry equal marks.
- Q1) (a) Describe the bonding mechanism of Silica water clay systems.
 - (b) Compare and contrast between the characteristic features of natural and synthetic sands.
- Q2) (a) Describe the difference in the solidification of pure metal and an alloy.Discuss the difference between homogeneous and hetrogeneous nucleation.
 - (b) What is meant by critical radius of nucleus and what is the significance of this parameter?
- Q3) (a) What is meant by mould constant and its significance in metal casting?
 - (b) Explain the formation of casting from liquid metal poured in a mould. Discuss the conditions which favour the formation of fine equi-axial grains.
- *Q4)* (a) Why is homogeneous nucleation much more difficult than heterogeneous nucleation in actual practice?
 - (b) The higher is the degree of undercooling, the smaller is the size of a stable nucleus during homogeneous nucleation.
- (c) Sub-angular and not fully rounded sand grains are preferred in actual practice for green sand moulding purposes.
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- Q5) (a) Describe the various components of a good running/gating system.Discuss the functions to be performed by each.
 - (b) Discuss the effect of appendages on risering.
- Q6) (a) Discuss the general procedural steps involved in designing a risering system.
 - (b) Discuss the use and function of chills in metal casting.
- Q7) (a) Discuss the working principle, applications and limitations of shell moulding process.
 - (b) Describe the characteristic features, working and main limitations of die casting process for aluminium alloys.

Q8) Write short notes on the following:

- (a) Swelling of clays.
- (b) Vacuum moulding
- (c) Mould constant