

**M.E. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: DECEMBER 2009**

First Semester

**ENERGY ENGINEERING**

EEG502: Solar Energy Systems

**Time: Three Hours**

**Maximum Marks: 100**

**Answer All the Questions:-**

**PART A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)**

1. Define 'Primary Energy sources'
2. Define 'Solar constant'.
3. What is pyroheliometer?
4. What is Irradiance?
5. What is meant by a solar collector?
6. List out the methods of improving efficiency of flat plate collectors.
7. What is a fresnel reflector? What is the main feature?
8. What are the most critical properties of a concentrating collector?
9. What are the materials used for latent heat storage?
10. What are the types of solar ponds?

**PART B (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)**

11. (a) Explain various types of Renewable Energy Sources.

**(OR)**

- (b) Explain Solar Declination, Elevation and Zenith angles.

12. (a) Explain the schematic arrangement of Pyranaometer with neat sketch.

**(OR)**

- (b) Explain the radiation characteristics of Opaque materials.

13. (a) Explain thermal losses and efficiency of flat plate collectors.

**(OR)**

- (b) Explain the construction and working of solar flat plate collector.

14. (a) Explain the working of Compound Parabolic Concentrator with neat sketches. What are the advantages?

**(OR)**

(b) Describe the method of power generation using Central Receiver Power Station.

15. (a) Explain solar thermal energy storage system.

**(OR)**

(b) Describe the system components of Solar heating system.

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