U.G. 5th Semester Examination-2021

CHEMISTRY

[HONOURS] Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Course Code : CHEM-H-DSE-T-1A (Polymer Chemistry)

Full Marks: 40

Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Write short notes on the following (any five):

 $2 \times 5 = 10$

a) Types of Copolymer

b) Functionality

- c) Thermoplastic and thermosetting polymers
- d) Lower and upper critical solution temperature
- e) Plasticizers
- f) Molecular weight distribution curve
- g) Degree of polymerization
- h) Chain transfer agent
- 2. Answer any **two** questions : $5 \times 2 = 10$
 - a) Explain Ring-opening polymerization.

b) Write 5 Differences between Amorphous and Crystalline Polymers.

- c) Write 5 key Applications of polymer in daily life considering 5 different polymers.
- d) Write at least 5 Differences between addition and condensation polymerization.
- e) In a polymer, there are 100 molecules of M. Wt. 15000, 200 molecules of M. Wt. 20000 and 300 molecules of M. Wt. 6000. Calculate Mn, Mw, and PDI for this mixture.
- 3. Answer any **two** questions: $10 \times 2=20$
 - a) Describe various polymerization processes and explain how one substrate can give different polymers by varying degrees of polymerization.
 - b) Explain the kinetics of step-growth and coordination polymerization.
 - c) Define glass transition temperature. What are the factors affecting Tg? How is Tg related to the molecular weight of polymers?
 - d) Illustrate Flory-Huggins theory and its significance.
 - e) Write down the preparation, structure, and applications of polyvinyl acetate, polyamides, and Novalac.

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