B. E. (ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING) FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER – 2024 PRIME MOVERS FOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS

Time: 3 hours Full Marks: 100

Instructions: Answer any five (5) questions. Assume any missing data with due reasoning.

- 1. (a) Describe the types of wind turbines with detailed sketches.
 - (b) Prove that the theoretical maximum efficiency of an ideal wind turbine is 59.26% (8+12)
- 2. (a) What do you mean by the moving boundary work? Derive an expression for the work done by a polytropic process, given by the relationship between pressure (P) and volume (v) as $Pv^n=C$; here, n and C are constants.
 - (b) Explain in detail the operating process of spark-ignition reciprocating engines. Draw the pressure-volume diagram and obtain an expression of its efficiency. (8+12)
- 3. (a) An engine working on the Otto cycle is supplied with air at 0.5 MPa at 45°C. The compression ratio is 9, and the heat supplied is 2700 kJ/kg. Calculate the maximum pressure and temperature of the cycle. What is the cycle efficiency? Given, $C_{p,air}=1.005$ kJ/kg.K, $C_{v,air}=0.718$ kJ/kg K and $R_{air}=287$ J/kgK (where the symbols carry usual meanings).
 - (b) Draw the pressure-volume diagram of the Diesel cycle and obtain an expression of its efficiency. (10+10)
- 4. (a) Describe in brief with a neat sketch of the working procedure of a steam power plant and obtain an expression of its efficiency.
 - (b) A stream power plant operates on the simple ideal Rankine cycle where the steam enters the turbine at 3 MPa and 350° C. The steam is then condensed in the condenser at a pressure of 75 kPa. Obtain the thermal efficiency of the cycle. At 75 kPa, enthalpy (h_f) and the specific volume (v_f) of the saturated liquid are 390.39 kJ/kg and 0.001127 m³/kg. The enthalpy (h_g) and entropy (s_g) of saturated vapor at 3 MPa and 350°C are 3115.3 kJ/kg and 6.7428 kJ/kg.K. At state point 4, the properties are: $s_f f$ 1.22 kJ/kgK, $s_f f = 6.7483$ kJ/kgK, $h_f f = 390$ kJ/kg, $h_f g = 2300$ kJ/kg. (10+10)
- 5. (a) Draw the pressure-volume and temperature-enthalpy diagrams of the Brayton cycle and obtain an expression of its efficiency.
 - (b) A power plant operating on an ideal Brayton cycle has a pressure ratio $r_p=10$. The gas temperature is 310 K at the inlet of the compressor and 1500 K at the turbine inlet. Determine (i) the gas temperature at the compressor and turbine exits; (ii) obtain the thermal efficiency. (10+10)

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- 6. (a) Describe the general layout of a hydroelectric power plant with a neat sketch and indicate its different components.
 - (b) A Pelton wheel has a mean bucket speed of 15 m/s and is supplied with water at 800 liters per second under a head of 40 m. If the bucket deflects the jet through an angle of 155⁰, find the power developed by the turbine and its hydraulic efficiency. Assume the velocity coefficient is 0.97 and neglect the friction in the bucket.
- 7. Write short notes on (a) Impulse and reaction turbines, (b) Enthalpy and entropy, (c) SI and CI engines, and (d) Wind turbines based on their rated capacities. (5+5+5+5)