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Subject Name: Process Equipment Design -II

Time: 02:30 PM TO 05:30 PM

Total Marks: 70

Instructions:

- 1. Attempt all questions.**
- 2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.**
- 3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.**
- 4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.**

- Q.1**
- (a)** Define: (i) Internal design pressure (ii) External design pressure (iii) Design temperature. **03**
 - (b)** Classify pressure vessels as per IS 2825 and explain the significance of design stress and joint efficiency. **04**
 - (c)** Discuss the general steps in designing a cylindrical shell for internal pressure including selection of corrosion allowance, testing and code requirements. **07**
- Q.2**
- (a)** Define: (i) Fatigue (ii) Creep. Explain why these properties are important in pressure vessel design. **03**
 - (b)** Explain the area-for-area method for sizing nozzle reinforcement pads with a neat sketch. **04**
 - (c)** A nozzle is welded to a cylindrical shell of a pressure vessel. State the data required and outline the complete design procedure to check adequacy of reinforcement using the area-replacement method. **07**
- OR**
- (c)** With neat sketches, discuss the different types of standard flanges and flange facings used in process vessels, highlighting their selection criteria. **07**
- Q.3**
- (a)** Explain the classification of storage tanks as per IS 803 and define a Class A storage tank. **03**
 - (b)** List the design steps for a self-supporting conical roof for a large diameter storage tank. **04**

- (c)** A storage tank (Class-A) is having following data: **07**
 Tank Diameter: 30 m Tank height: 18 m
 Sp. Gr. of liquid: 1.18
 Conical roof slope: permissible 1 in. 5
 Superimposed load - 125 kg/m²
 Material – carbon steel (structural)
 Permissible stress : 980 kgf/cm²
 Density of plate material : 7800 kg/m³
 Modulus of elasticity: 2 x 10⁶ kg/cm²
 Standard plate size = 1.8 m width x 6.3 m length
 Design the shell and bottom. Verify that self-supporting conical roof can work for this storage tank or not
 Conical roof slope: permissible 1 in. 5

OR

- Q.3** **(a)** State the functions of floating roofs in storage tanks and list different types of floating roofs. **03**
- (b)** Explain the design steps and precautions for shell and bottom plates for a fixed-roof tank storing a corrosive liquid, considering corrosion allowance and fabrication aspects. **04**
- (c)** Describe the complete design procedure for a column-supported conical roof, including selection of columns, rafters, girders and roof curb angle. **07**
- Q.4** **(a)** Define: (i) Gasket seating stress (ii) Gasket factor. State why correct gasket selection is critical in reaction vessel design. **03**
- (b)** Classify agitators and discuss the selection criteria for choosing a suitable agitator for liquid–liquid mixing. **04**
- (c)** A flat-blade turbine agitator with six blades is installed in a baffled tank. Describe the stepwise procedure to determine power requirement, shaft diameter and blade thickness for safe operation under given fluid properties. **07**

OR

- Q.4** **(a)** List the different types of jackets used on reaction vessels and mention two advantages of a half-coil jacket over a plain jacket. **03**
- (b)** Explain the mechanical design of jackets and coils for an exothermic stirred reactor. **04**

(c) Find out the thickness of shell of the reactor & thickness of jacket for the following three available options: 07

i) Reactor with plain jacket

ii) Reactor with channel jacket

iii) Reactor with half coil jacket.

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Given data:

Inside diameter of shell = 1500 mm, Inside diameter of jacket = 1600 mm, Shell length = 1500 mm, diameter of half coil = 75 mm, Width of channel jacket = 75 mm, Internal design pressure of shell = 4 kgf/cm², Internal design pressure of jacket = 3 kgf/cm², Design temperature of both shell & jacket = 150 °C, maximum allowable stress at design temperature = 980 kgf/cm², Modulus of elasticity $E = 19 \times 10^5$ kgf/cm², Poisson's ratio $\mu = 0.3$, Joint efficiency $J = 0.85$.

- Q.5**
- (a) Write a short note on saddle supports, indicating when they are preferred over other support types. 03**
 - (b) Explain the design criteria for skirt supports for tall distillation columns, including allowable stresses and load combinations. 04**
 - (c) A tray distillation column operates at elevated temperature and pressure. Outline the procedure for determining shell thickness at various heights considering internal pressure, dead load and wind load. 07**

OR

- Q.5**
- (a) Define: (i) Seismic coefficient (ii) Wind pressure as used in the mechanical design of vertical columns. 03**
 - (b) Explain the design procedure for bracket supports for a vertical cylindrical vessel installed outdoors. 04**
 - (c) Discuss the design steps for skirt and base plate including anchor bolts for a tall column subject to combined dead load and wind load, and comment on possible failure modes. 07**
