

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING – SEMESTER 6 – EXAMINATION – SUMMER 2026

Subject Code: 3162207

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Subject Name: Mine Ventilation

Time: 10:30 AM TO 01:00 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**
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| (a) | Why carbon monoxide gas is considered as the most dangerous gas in mines? | 03 |
| (b) | What do you understand by standard of ventilation? | 04 |
| (c) | Explain about Firedamp in details with its detection by flame safety lamp. | 07 |

- Q.2**
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| (a) | What do you understand by blackdamp? | 03 |
| (b) | Write the Salient points of Cowards Diagram with neat sketch. | 04 |
| (c) | Discuss the physiological effect and detection of carbon monoxide gas in mines. | 07 |

OR

- Q.2**
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| (c) | A man, when doing hard work in a confined space breaths 60.9 m^3 of air per minute. He consumes 2.5 m^3 of oxygen and produces 2.4 m^3 of carbon dioxide per minute. Calculate the percentage composition of exhaled air. Assume the parameters if required. | 07 |
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- Q.3**
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| (a) | Differentiate between the term laminar & turbulent flow with neat sketch. | 03 |
| (b) | Explain 'superjacent heading method' of methane drainage with neat sketch. | 04 |
| (c) | Calculate the pressure as well as power required to circulate 20 m^3 of air per second, through a mine airway 300 m long, 2.5 high and 3 m wide? The coefficient of friction of the airway is $0.01 \text{ N s}^2\text{m}^{-4}$. Also calculate the frictional resistance coefficient (f) for the airway taking the air density at 1.2 kg/m^3 . Assume the parameters if required. | 07 |

OR

- Q.3**
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| (a) | Write the recommendations of air velocity required at various places of underground mine as per CMR 1957? | 03 |
| (b) | Write a note on Kata Thermometer. | 04 |
| (c) | How is natural ventilating pressure produced? Derive the equation of natural ventilation pressure from air density. | 07 |

- Q.4**
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| (a) | Differentiate between frictional resistance and shock resistance. | 03 |
| (b) | Determine the nature of air flow in a mine airway of $2.2 \times 1.8 \text{ m}$ size if the velocity of air in the airway is 0.5 m/s . Also calculate the maximum velocity at which the flow still remains truly laminar.
Assume $\nu = 0.16 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ | 04 |
| (c) | Discuss the construction, application and operation of whirling hygrometer with neat sketch. | 07 |

OR

- Q.4**
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| (a) | Explain the resistance of airways in series and parallel. | 03 |
| (b) | What do you mean by equivalent orifice? Explain with neat sketch. | 04 |

(c) Explain the construction and working of centrifugal fan. Also write the equation of theoretical head developed by centrifugal fan. **07**

Q.5 (a) Explain the factors affecting the economic design of mine airway. **03**

(b) Discuss auxiliary ventilation system with neat sketch. **04**

(c) Describe the types of ventilation system based on air direction with neat sketch. **07**

OR

Q.5 (a) Write the Desirable features of ventilation system. **03**

(b) Explain the effect of heat & humidity at the work places. **04**

(c) Discuss the construction and working of vane anemometer with neat sketch. **07**
