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### RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY HARVESTING

# MODEL QUESTIONS

## **GROUP A**

# **Short Answer Type Questions**

- 1. Explain the importance of geothermal energy taking its present day scenario as point of reference. Brief the working of the different kinds of geothermal power plants.
- 2. What are piezoelectric parameters? Write about piezoelectric energy harvesting applications.
- 3. What are the renewable sources of energy? Compare between conventional and non-conventional energy sources.
- 4. What is hydro energy? What are some environmental impact of hydro power sources?
- 5. Explain the construction and working of biogas plant.
- 6. What according to you are the major challenges in adopting solar power as a house hold power source? Explain the working of a solar cell.

#### **GROUP** B

## **Long Answer Type Questions**

- 1. What are hydropower resources? Write in brief the importance of environmental impact of hydropower sources.
- 2. Classify water turbines in detail and explain the working principle of any two kind of wind turbines.
- 3. Briefly explain working mechanism of wind turbines and also write about different electrical machines used in wind turbines.
- 4. What are the importance and limitations of fossil fuels and nuclear energy? Explain the differences between wind, tidal, wave energy systems. Is biogas could be beneficial in supporting today's need?
- 5. Describe tide characteristics and statistics. Write short note on tide energy technologies.
- 6. Describe ocean thermal energy. Mention wave characteristics, tide characteristics and explain their statistics. How ocean biomass can be used to meet energy requirements?
- 7. What is piezoelectric effect? Explain the characteristics of piezoelectric effect in detail by giving mathematical description. What are its harvesting applications?
- 8. Explain in detail about (a) solar water heater (b) solar distillation (c) solar greenhouses (d) solar cell (e) solar pond.