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Seventh Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2015/Jan.2016
Power System Planning

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks:100

**Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting
atleast TWO questions from each part.**

PART – A

- 1 a. What are the major components of planning process? Briefly explain least cost utility planning. (08 Marks)
- b. What are the major features of Indian electricity rules, 1956? (06 Marks)
- c. List the various factors that affect load pattern in a power system. (06 Marks)
- 2 a. Explain various plan options, uncertainties and objectives in a power utility planning process. (10 Marks)
- b. What is cogeneration? Briefly explain the two basic processes with block diagrams. (10 Marks)
- 3 a. Mention the need and benefits of rural electrification. Briefly explain the components of rural electrification planning. (08 Marks)
- b. What is the significance of private sector participating in power projects? Mention the major modes of participation. (08 Marks)
- c. What are the objectives of a sound consumer tariff? (04 Marks)
- 4 a. Describe the major environmental hazards caused by fossil fired thermal plants and the methods to minimize them. (10 Marks)
- b. Explain the terms 'non utility generation' and 'wheeling'. How wheeling affects system performance? How wheeling contracts are made? (10 Marks)

PART – B

- 5 a. Define power system reliability. Explain how optimal reliability level is determined in power system reliability planning. (10 Marks)
- b. Describe load prediction by 'Regression analysis'. (10 Marks)
- 6 a. With a figure, explain a centralized computing system for monitoring and controlling a power system. (10 Marks)
- b. What is power system state estimation? Briefly narrate the basic steps involved in estimating the best state vector. (10 Marks)
- 7 a. Briefly explain optimal power system expansion planning. What is the parameter to be optimized/ minimized in the problem? (05 Marks)
- b. Mathematically define the objective function and constraints in optimal power system expansion planning. Briefly narrate each component of the objective function and constrains. (15 Marks)
- 8 Write short notes on :
 - a. Any one mathematical, programming method used for optimal power system expansion planning. (08 Marks)
 - b. Online power flow studies for system operation planning. (06 Marks)
 - c. Supply and demand side options in integrated resource planning. (06 Marks)

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