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**3 (Sem-2/CBCS) GLG HG/RC**

**2023**

**GEOLOGY**

(Honours Generic/Regular)

Paper : GLG-HG-2016/GLG-RC-2016

**( Crystallography and Mineralogy )**

*Full Marks : 60*

Time : Three hours

***The figures in the margin indicate  
full marks for the questions.***

1. Choose the correct option : 1×7=7
- (a) Crystal system which satisfies the condition " $a = b = c$ " is \_\_\_\_\_ .
- (i) tetragonal system
  - (ii) isometric or cubic system
  - (iii) hexagonal system
  - (iv) monoclinic system

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(b) The highest degree of symmetry is shown by the \_\_\_\_\_ and the lowest degree of symmetry is exhibited by the \_\_\_\_\_ system.

- (i) isometric; triclinic
- (ii) orthorhombic; isometric
- (iii) monoclinic; triclinic
- (iv) isometric; tetragonal

(c) In crystallography, 'Edge' is the line of intersection of two adjacent \_\_\_\_\_.

- (i) faces
- (ii) form
- (iii) solid angle
- (iv) None of the above

(d) Birefringence is a measure of the difference between the maximum and minimum \_\_\_\_\_ of a particular mineral.

- (i) refraction
- (ii) extinction
- (iii) refractive indices
- (iv) optic axis

(e) The hardness of the mineral Quartz is

- (i) 5
- (ii) 6
- (iii) 8
- (iv) 7

(f) Sclerometer is an instrument used for determining hardness. (True/False)

(g) The colour of the powder of a mineral in small amount is called as

(i) Lusture

(ii) Streak

(iii) Cleavage

(iv) Diaphaneity

2. Write short notes on the following :  
(any four)  
 $2 \times 4 = 8$

(a) Interfacial angle

(b) Axis of symmetry

(c) Unit cell

(d) Extinction

(e) Pleochroism

(f) Optic axis

3. Answer the following questions : (any three)  
 $5 \times 3 = 15$

(a) Double refraction

(b) Elements of symmetry

(c) Isomorphism and polymorphism

(d) Characteristics of different crystal systems

(e) Various lusture exhibited by minerals

4. Answer the following questions : (any three)  
 $10 \times 3 = 30$

(a) Write about the symmetry elements and forms of normal class in the Tetragonal system. Give some examples of minerals crystallized in this class.  $3 + 4 + 3 = 10$

(b) What are parameters of crystal system? Describe how Miller's indices for the faces of a crystal are determined.  
 $2 + 8 = 10$

(c) Define mineral. Write about physical properties of mineral.  $2+8=10$

(d) What do you mean by optic axis? Write briefly on the optic sign of uniaxial and biaxial minerals.  $2+4+4=10$

(e) Write the chemical composition and diagnostic physical properties of the following minerals :  $2 \times 5 = 10$

(i) Olivine

(ii) Kyanite

(iii) Quartz

(iv) Muscovite

(v) Garnet

(f) Write the optical properties of the following minerals :  $2 \times 5 = 10$

(i) Calcite

(ii) Microcline

(iii) Quartz

(iv) Biotite

(v) Hornblende

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