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University of Kerala
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Four Year Under Graduate Programme
Discipline Specific Core Course

**PHYSICS**

UK1DSCPHY103- INTRODUCTION TO MECHANICS AND ENERGY RESOURCES

Academic Level: 100-199

Time: 1½ hours

Max.Marks: 42

Part A.

Answer All Questions, Objective Type. 1 Mark Each.
(Cognitive Level: Remember/Understand) 6 Marks. Time: 6Minutes

Qn. No.	Question	Cognitive Level	Course Outcome (CO)
1.	Name any three renewable energy resources.	Remember	3
2.	Name the process by which energy is generated in a nuclear reactor.	Remember	3
3.	Discuss any law on vector addition.	Understand	1
4.	Explain the representation a two-dimensional vector into its component forms.	Understand	1
5.	Restate Newton's second law of rotation.	Understand	4
6.	Explain rotational inertia of an object.	Understand	4

Part B.

Answer All Questions, Short Answer. 2 Marks Each.
(Cognitive Level: Understand/Apply) 8 Marks. Time: 24 Minutes

Qn. No.	Question	Cognitive Level	Course Outcome (CO)
7.	A vector of 10 Newton is 30° north of east. Determine its components along east and north directions.	Apply	1
8.	A horizontally mounted wheel of radius r is initially at rest, and then begins to accelerate constantly until it has reached an angular velocity ω after 5 complete revolutions. Explain about the angular acceleration of the wheel.	Understand	4
9.	Explain Kepler's law of orbits.	Understand	4
10.	Distinguish between nuclear fission and nuclear fusion.	Understand	3

Part C.

Answer all 4 questions, choosing among options within each question.

Long Answer. 7 Marks Each.

(Cognitive Level: Apply/Analyse/Evaluate/Create) 28 Marks. Time: 60 Minutes

Qn. No.	Question	Cognitive Level	Course Outcome (CO)
11.	A. Describe solar energy in brief and explain its applications. OR B. Describe biomass and explain how biomass conversion takes place	Understand	3
12.	A. Discuss rotational inertia of continuous body and explain the parallel axis theorem. OR B. Discuss Newton's second law for rotation to relate the net torque on a body to the bodies rotational Inertia and rotational acceleration	Understand	4
13.	A. a) Illustrate Significant Figures. Give the rules to determine significant figures. b) Calculate the number of significant figures is there in each of the following numbers? i. 123 g ii. 0.123 m iii. 0.0456 g iv. 1.26×10^3 W v. 2.2315 vi. 50 OR B. a) Illustrate cross product and dot product of two vectors $\vec{A} \wedge \vec{B}$. b) Determine the angle between the vectors $3\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 2\hat{k} \wedge 5\hat{i} + 7\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$. c) If $\vec{A} = 4\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + \hat{k} \wedge \vec{B} = 5\hat{i} - 2\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, find $\vec{C} = \vec{A} \times \vec{B}$. Determine whether \vec{C} is perpendicular to $\vec{A} \wedge \vec{B}$, find unit vectors along $\vec{A}, \vec{B} \wedge \vec{C}$.	Apply	1
14.	A. A satellite is placed in a circular orbit 300 km above the Earth's surface. Given that the radius of the Earth is 6370 km and the mass of the Earth is 5.98×10^{24} kg and Gravitational constant ($G = 6.674 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2/\text{kg}^2$). Discuss by calculation orbital velocity of the satellite. OR B. The mass of the Moon is 7.36×10^{22} kg and the escape velocity from the Moon's surface is 2.38 km/s. Interpret by calculation the radius of the Moon.	Understand	2