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**University of Kerala**

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Four Year Under Graduate Programme

Discipline Specific Core Course

PHYSICS

UK1DSCPHY100- Foundation Course in Physics I

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.	State Gauss' divergence theorem.	Remember	1
2.	State SI unit of power.	Remember	2
3.	Explain how gravity affects the weight of an object, but not the mass.	Understand	2
4.	Explain why the kinetic energy will always be positive or zero	Understand	3
5.	Discuss the method to calculate work from a force vs. distance graph.	Understand	3
6.	Discuss the equation for total kinetic energy in rolling motion.	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.	Describe how acceleration due to gravity varies with location.	Understand	2
8.	Sketch the divergence of flux lines on electric charge (both positive and negative).	Apply	1
9.	Estimate the work done in a closed loop by a conservative force.	Apply	3
10.	Write a note on elastic potential energy	Understand	4

Part C.

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

Long Answer. 7 Marks Each.

(Cognitive Level: Apply) 28 Marks. Time: 60 Minutes

Qn.No.	Question	Cognitive Level	Course Outcome (CO)
11.	<p>A. A spacecraft of mass 1000 kg is traveling in space and fires its thrusters to exert a constant force of 4000 N for 5 seconds.</p> <p>i) Calculate the acceleration of the spacecraft.</p> <p>ii) Determine the change in velocity of the spacecraft after 5 seconds.</p> <p>iii) Find the total distance traveled by the spacecraft during this time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>B. A 10 kg object is subjected to a force of 40 N at an angle of 30° above the horizontal. The object moves horizontally on a frictionless surface.</p> <p>i) Calculate the horizontal component of the force.</p> <p>ii) Determine the vertical component of the force.</p> <p>iii) Find the acceleration of the object in the horizontal direction.</p>	Apply	5
12.	<p>A. Derive the impulse-momentum theorem using the statement of Newton's second law and explain how it relates to the change in momentum of an object.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>B. A baseball of mass 0.15 kg is thrown with a velocity of 40 m/s. The bat strikes the ball and reverses its direction, sending it back with a velocity of 30 m/s. The time of contact between the bat and the ball is 0.02 seconds.</p> <p>i) Calculate the change in momentum of the baseball.</p> <p>ii) Determine the impulse delivered by the bat to the ball.</p> <p>iii) Calculate the average force exerted by the bat on the baseball.</p>	Apply	2
13.	<p>A. Describe how work and energy are calculated for an object moving along a curved path under the influence of a variable force.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>B. i) Discuss elastic potential energy and calculate the expression for total elastic potential energy stored in a spring when it gets compressed.</p> <p>ii) A person weighing 600 N steps on a bathroom scale that contains a stiff spring. In equilibrium, the spring is compressed 1.0 cm under her weight. Find the force constant of the spring and total elastic potential energy stored in it.</p>	Apply	3
14.	<p>A. State and explain parallel axes theorem. Apply this theorem to determine the moment of inertia of a thin wire with respect to an axis passing through its edge and parallel to its principal axis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>B. A uniform rod of mass 4 kg and length 1.5 meters is pivoted at a point 0.3 meters from one of its ends. The axis of rotation is perpendicular to the rod.</p> <p>i) Calculate the moment of inertia of the rod about this axis using the parallel axis theorem.</p> <p>ii) If the rod is rotating with an angular speed of 6 rad/s, determine its rotational kinetic energy.</p>	Apply	4