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Instructions : (1) All Questions are *compulsory*.

- (2) Answer each next main Question on a new page.
- (3) Illustrate your answers with neat sketches wherever necessary.

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- (4) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- (5) Assume suitable data, if necessary.
- (6) Abbreviations used convey usual meaning.

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1. (A) Answer any THREE :

- (a) Give four examples of speciality rubber. Explain any one of them.
- (b) Write down applications of natural rubber.
- (c) Differentiate between diagonal ply and radial ply with a diagram.
- (d) State any four properties and applications of neoprene rubber.
- (B) Answer any ONE :
 - (a) Describe reclaimed rubber. State its two advantages and two applications.
 - (b) Describe test equipment and write procedure for Mooney viscosity test.

2. Answer any FOUR :

- (a) Explain in general, thermoplastic and thermosetting elastomer.
- (b) Represent structural formula for following rubbers :
 - (i) NBR
 - (ii) Silicon
 - (iii) Fluorocarbon
 - (iv) EPDM
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- (c) Define natural rubber, list down sources of natural rubber.
- (d) Describe mastication process. State role of pepticiser in this process.
- (e) Explain any one process for manufacturing styrene butadiene rubber.
- (f) State any four properties and four applications of 'Viton' rubber.

3. Answer any FOUR :

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- (a) Classify accelerators, giving examples.
- (b) Describe preparation of silicon rubber.
- (c) Explain effect of acrylonitrile content on the properties of NBR.
- (d) State precautions to be taken in manufacture of PU rubber. Write applications of Pu rubber.
- (e) Name and write structure of a diene monomer. State its physical state and method of polymerisation.

4. (A) Answer any THREE :

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- (a) Differentiate between sulphur and non-sulphur vulcanisation.
- (b) Describe polyacrylic rubber.
- (c) State the type of rubber for following application oil seal, roller, antivibrational, water hoses.
- (d) With a labelled diagram, explain calendering process.
- (e) List down any four properties and applications of polybutadiene rubber.

(B) Answer any ONE :

- (a) Describe with a labelled diagram of cold feed extruder.
- (b) Describe tyre building process.

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5. Answer any FOUR :

- (a) Define vulcanisation. Describe role of sulphur in vulcanisation process.
- (b) Describe with reaction, peroxide vulcanisation process.
- (c) Elaborate the meaning of following terms :
 - (i) Skimming
 - (ii) Topping
- (d) Describe role of accelerators in vulcanisation process. State its advantages and limitation.
- (e) Write down compound recipe for O'ring. State function of the ingredients.
- (f) State the function of any four rubber compounding ingredients.

6. Answer any FOUR :

- (a) Describe stages in raw rubber manufacturing.
- (b) State the materials used in tyre. List down its types.
- (c) Explain preparation method of latex gloves.
- (d) Describe construction of radial ply tyre.
- (e) List down tyre components. State their function.

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