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**3 Hours / 100 Marks**

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- Instructions* – (1) All Questions are *Compulsory*.  
(2) Answer each next main Question on a new page.  
(3) Figures to the right indicate full marks.  
(4) Assume suitable data, if necessary.  
(5) Abbreviations used convey usual meaning.

**Marks**

1. **Attempt any FIVE of the following:** **20**
- a) Write any four advantages of reclaimed rubber.
  - b) Write any four properties and applications of PU elastomer.
  - c) Define mastication. Why is it done ?
  - d) Explain with a labelled diagram working of hot feed extruder.
  - e) Describe a method to prepare a rubber gasket.
  - f) Name any four components of tyre and state their role
  - g) Explain the construction of standard diagonal tyres.
2. **Attempt any TWO of the following:** **16**
- a) Describe the preparation, and explain typical properties of poly butadiene rubber.
  - b) (i) Write full form of EPDM.  
(ii) Write important properties and applications of EPDM rubber.
  - c) Describe :
    - (i) Skimming
    - (ii) Topping

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- 3. Attempt any TWO of the following:** **16**
- a) Describe preparation of :
    - (i) neoprene
    - (ii) styrene - butadiene rubber by any one commercial method.
  - b) (i) What is 'Natural rubber' ? Write applications of natural rubber.
    - (ii) Name a thermosetting elastomer. State its characteristics.
  - c) (i) Define raw rubber. Describe the stages in raw rubber.
    - (ii) Write typical recipe of surgical foam. Where are they used ?
- 4. Attempt any TWO of the following:** **16**
- a) Explain four important properties and four important applications of silicone rubber.
  - b) Define vulcanisation. Explain any two methods of vulcanisation.
  - c) (i) Write the sources of natural rubber.
    - (ii) Explain characteristics of TSR.
- 5. Attempt any TWO of the following:** **16**
- a) Describe method to check plasticity and viscosity of a rubber.
  - b) (i) Explain the tyre building process.
    - (ii) Describe construction of a radial ply tyre.
  - c) Explain :
    - (i) Use of vulcanisation accelerators.
    - (ii) Classification of accelerators.

**6. Attempt any FOUR of the following:****16**

- a) Compare : natural and synthetic rubbers.
  - b) State in general, properties and applications of acrylic rubber.
  - c) Explain non-sulfur vulcanisation with an example and reaction.
  - d) Describe working of a ram extruder of rubber with a labelled diagram.
  - e) Outline, a manufacturing process of rubber gloves.
  - f) Explain the construction of bias belted tyre.
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