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SERIES: AUGUST 2019
TIME: 2 HOURS
DATE:

Instruction to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt any **THREE** questions.

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown.

Do not write on the question paper.

Question ONE

- a) State any SIX contrasting properties of sound and light waves. (6 marks)
- b) Using sketches, explain how the Telescope works. (6 marks)
- c) Explain any FOUR laws of optics and state an application for each law. (8 marks)

Question TWO

- a) Explain any THREE methods of measuring temperature stating an application for each. (6 marks)
- b) Using a change of state graph, show the change of state of Ammonia from -10°C to 100°C showing all the important temperature points, states and latent heats. (10 marks)
- c) State any FOUR heat transfer laws giving an application for each. (4 marks)

Question THREE

- a) Explain the Three laws of Thermodynamics. (3 marks)
- b) Define an ideal gas or fluid and state any of its four properties. (6 marks)
- c) State any FIVE thermodynamic fluids used in engineering applications. (5 marks)

d) State any SIX applications of thermodynamics in engineering applications. (6 marks)

Question FOUR

a) Explain the term "organic compound" and state any of its FIVE properties. (8 marks)

b) Define any THREE types of bonding in organic compounds. (6 marks)

c) Explain the following terminologies;

i. Compound

ii. Mixture

iii. Emulsion

iv. Element

v. Molecule

vi. Substance

(6 marks)

Question FIVE

a) Explain how the periodic table of elements is arranged in terms of reactivity, physical and chemical properties. (10 marks)

b) Explain any FOUR types of bonding of elements. (6 marks)

c) Define the arrangement of electrons in different energy fields in an atom. (4 marks)