

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, PUNE  
ESE SEMESTER EXAMINATION  
(MT-305) Iron Making

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Duration: 3 Hours

Branch: Metallurgy  
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Max Marks: 60

**Instruction to candidates:**

1. All questions are compulsory.
  2. Assume suitable data if necessary.
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- Q.1 A) Draw the curve for equilibrium reactions  $\text{FeO} + \text{CO} = \text{Fe} + \text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4 + \text{CO} = 3 \text{FeO} + \text{CO}_2$  in a diagram of 'Equilibrium CO/CO<sub>2</sub> ratio' in contact with carbon and oxides of Iron at various temperatures". Explain the significance of each of the curves. [5]
- What is the meaning of the point of intersection of these two curves? [2]
- B) Describe, in detail, any three operational irregularities and the corresponding remedial measures, in blast furnace operation. [6]
- C) State the limitations of Mini Blast furnaces. [3]
- Q.2 A) Discuss Direct Reduction and Indirect Reduction in Blast furnace. [4]
- B) State the raw materials required for a) Ferro-silicon and b) Ferro-chromium by electric smelting. [4]
- C) How is basicity and viscosity optimized in Blast Furnace? [3]
- D) Give the composition (weight percent) of hot metal produced in a common blast furnace. [3]
- E) Define Critical Hearth Temperature with its significance. [2]
- Q.3 A) State **True OR False** and Justify your answer. (No marks without proper justification.) [10]
1. Water cooling of Blast furnace refractory lining is essential.
  2. For proper Blast Furnace operation, the liquid slag should have as high a viscosity as Possible.
  3. The slag at the tuyere level is high in SiO<sub>2</sub> (acid slag).
  4. Iron oxide reduction by H<sub>2</sub> is 5-10 times slower than that by CO.(justification not expected)

- B) Write short notes on ----(ANY TWO) [8]
1. Corex Process
  2. Midrex process
  3. Advantages and disadvantages (Any Four each) of Low Shaft Furnace

Q.4 A) Explain in detail the reactions in Bosh. [5]

- B) An ore has  $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$  86 %,  $\text{SiO}_2$  6%,  $\text{MnO}$  1.2,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  6.5 %,  $\text{P}$  0.20 %. The pig iron produced contains  $\text{C}$  3.5,  $\text{Si}$  2.2,  $\text{Mn}$  0.6,  $\text{Fe}$  93, balance other impurities. 950 kg coke (containing 80 %  $\text{C}$ ,  $\text{SiO}_2$  12%,  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  8 %) per ton pig iron is used. Limestone required is 450 kg/ton pig iron and limestone contains 5 %  $\text{SiO}_2$  the rest  $\text{CaCO}_3$ . There is no loss of  $\text{Fe}$  to the slag.  
Find—
- a) The amount of the ore in kg/ton pig iron.
  - b) Phosphorus in pig iron
  - c) The amount of slag per ton pig iron and its composition( $\text{CaO}$ , $\text{SiO}_2$ , $\text{MnO}$ , $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ )
  - d) The basicity of the slag.

(Atomic weight :  $\text{Fe} = 56$ ,  $\text{O} = 16$ ,  $\text{Mn} = 55$  ,  $\text{Si} = 28$  ,  $\text{C} = 12$ ,  $\text{P} = 31$ ,  $\text{Al} = 27$  ,  $\text{Ca} = 40$ )

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