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SUBJECT: Electric Power Transmission and Distribution
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Time: 3 Hours

Max Marks: 100

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Answer Question No.1 (Part-I) which is compulsory, any eight from Part-II and any two from Part-III.

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

Part-I

Q1 Answer the following questions: (2 x 10)

- What are the typical transmission voltages used in India, and why is electrical power stepped down before distribution to consumers?
- What is the Skin Effect? How does it influence conductor design?
- Find the maximum power that can be transmitted over a line with $X = 25 \Omega$ if the voltages at both ends are 110 kV.
- What is the significance of the geometric mean radius (GMR) in transmission line parameter calculations?
- A 3-phase EHV transmission line operates at a line-to-line voltage of 400 kV and has a characteristic (surge) impedance of 400Ω . Determine the surge impedance loading (SIL) of the line in MW.
- What is sag in overhead transmission lines? Explain the factors affecting sag and its importance in line design. Briefly explain.
- The ABCD constants of a 3-phase transmission line are $A = D = 0.9 \angle 0.8^\circ$; $B = 150 \angle 83^\circ$; $C = 0.0018 \angle 89^\circ$ mho. With the sending-end voltage 330 kV and no load at the receiving end, calculate the magnitude and angle of the receiving-end voltage.
- Which type of power plant has the shortest gestation period and why?
- What is the purpose of using a neutral wire in distribution systems? Explain briefly.
- The currents in a 3-phase unbalanced system are: $I_R = (20 - j10) \text{ A}$; $I_Y = (-5 + j15) \text{ A}$; $I_B = (10 - j20) \text{ A}$. The phase sequence is RYB. determine the positive sequence component of the R-phase current.

Part-II

Q2 Only Focused-Short Answer Type Questions- (Answer Any Eight out of Twelve) (6 x 8)

- Write a short note on- Nuclear Power Generation.
- What will be the equivalent radius of a bundle conductor having its part conductors of radius 'r' on the periphery of a circle of diameter 'd' if the number of conductors is 2, 3, 4, 6?
- Explain clearly the 'skin effect' and 'proximity effect' when referred to overhead lines.

- d) A 400 V, 3-phase 4-wire service mains supplies a star connected load. The resistance of each line is 0.1 ohm and that of neutral 0.2 ohm. The load impedances are $Z_R = (6 + j9)$, $Z_Y = 8$ ohms and $Z_B = (6 - j8)$. Calculate the voltage across each load impedance and current in the neutral. Phase sequence RYB.
- e) Justify the need of capacitors in distribution systems.
- f) An overhead line has the following data: Span length 160 metres, conductor diameter 0.95 cm, weight per unit length of the conductor 0.65 kg/metre. Ultimate stress 4250 kg/cm², wind pressure 40 kg/m² of projected area. Factor of safety 5. Calculate the sag.
- g) Describe the vibration of power conductors and the methods used to damp out these vibrations.
- h) The line-to-ground voltages on the high voltage side of a step-up transformer are 100 kV, 33 kV, and 38 kV on phases *a*, *b* and *c* respectively. The voltage of phase-*a* leads that of phase-*b* by 100° and lags that of phase-*c* by 176.5°. Determine analytically the symmetrical components of voltage.
- i) Derive an expression for Sag of a line supported between two supports of same height.
- j) Compare overhead lines with underground cables.
- k) What is Kelvin's Law? State the limitations of Kelvin's Law.
- l) Determine the insulation resistance of cable and find the condition for maximum value of electrostatic stress in a single core cable.

Part-III

Only Long Answer Type Questions (Answer Any Two out of Four)

- Q3**
 - a) Define Geometric Mean Radius (GMR) and Geometric Mean Distance (GMD). How are they used in inductance calculation of transmission lines? (6)
 - b) Derive the expression for inductance per phase of a symmetrical three-phase overhead line using GMR and GMD. (6)
 - c) Calculate the charging current per km for a single-phase equivalent of a 3-phase line whose capacitance per phase is 10 nF/km at 132 kV (line-line), 50 Hz. (4)
- Q4**
 - a) Explain the difference between short, medium, and long transmission lines. Derive the ABCD constants for each type. (10)
 - b) Describe the nominal- π and nominal-T models of a medium transmission line with neat equivalent circuits and phasor diagrams. (6)
- Q5** For a 5-disc suspension string, each disc has self-capacitance *C* and to-ground capacitance 0.25*C*. If a guard ring introduces an additional capacitance of 0.2*C* from the lower link-pin to earth, find the new voltage distribution across the discs and the string efficiency. (16)
- Q6**
 - a) List five differences between overhead lines and underground cables with respect to capacitance, thermal rating, maintenance, and fault behavior. (10)
 - b) Draw and explain the sequence-network interconnection for a single line-to-ground fault and compare with the double line-to-ground case. (6)