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SUBJECT: Fundamentals of Communication
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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)

- a) Mention the conditions for distortionless transmission.
- b) Define carrier and sideband.
- c) Define signal-to-noise ratio (SNR).
- d) What is the bandwidth of FM signal according to Carson's rule?
- e) What is discriminator?
- f) Differentiate between narrowband FM and wideband FM.
- g) Define VSB signals.
- h) Mention two advantages of superheterodyne receiver.
- i) What is the function of an RF amplifier?
- j) State the principle of square-law modulator.

Part-II

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

- a) Explain the basic elements of a communication system with a neat block diagram.
- b) Derive the expression for amplitude modulated (AM) wave and explain its components.
- c) Compare DSB-FC, DSB-SC, and SSB modulation techniques.
- d) Write short notes on different types of distortions in communication systems.
- e) Derive the expression for instantaneous frequency in FM.
- f) Explain the relationship between FM and PM with equations.
- g) Explain the effect of modulation index on FM signal spectrum.
- h) Discuss the basic principle of frequency modulation (FM) and phase modulation (PM).
- i) Draw and explain the block diagram of an AM radio transmitter.
- j) What is the role of a mixer and local oscillator in a radio receiver?
- k) Explain the process of noise generation and its classification.
- l) Explain the threshold effect in FM receivers.

Part-III

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

- Q3** a) Describe Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (QAM) with block diagram. (8)
b) Explain the principle and working of Vestigial Sideband modulation and demodulation. (8)
- Q4** a) Describe the principle of FM demodulation using a Phase Locked Loop (PLL). (8)
b) Explain the operation of a balanced slope detector and ratio detector with diagrams. (8)
- Q5** a) Explain the working of a superheterodyne receiver with block diagram. (8)
b) Discuss system noise calculation for AM, FM, and SSB receivers. (8)
- Q6** a) Explain the concept of Automatic Volume Control (AVC) in receivers. (8)
b) Discuss the working of an envelope detector for AM signal demodulation. (8)