



**PROGRAM**                      NATIONAL DIPLOMA  
   CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

**SUBJECT**                      CHEMICAL PLANT 3A

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**INSTRUCTIONS**                NON-PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS  
   PERMITTED (ONLY ONE PER CANDIDATE)  
   SHOW ALL UNITS IN CALCULATIONS!!!  
   ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

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**QUESTION ONE**

- 1.1 List the four types of special metals and alloys. (4)
- 1.2 With the aid of a well-labeled diagram, describe Charpy impact test (12)
- 1.3 A circular wire has a tensile force of 60.0 N applied to it and this force produces a stress of 3.06 MPa in the wire. Determine the diameter of the wire. (20)

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**QUESTION TWO**

- 2.1 Identify the type of corrosion in the following cases: (14)
- i. General rusting of steel and iron when the entire surface is exposed to air;
  - ii. Domestic water heater where copper and steel tubing are joined;
  - iii. Corrosion in firearms, in the bore of the barrel when corrosive ammunition is used and the barrel is not cleaned soon afterward;
  - iv. Flanges, Washers, O-rings on metal plates immersed in seawater;
  - v. Weld decay in stainless steel;
  - vi. Stainless steel parts in a combustion engine operated at temperatures between 500 and 800°C for long time;
  - vii. Elbow fitting in a steam condensate line;
- 2.2 Differentiate between wet and dry corrosion (4)
- 2.3 Explain four Damage and Cost associated with Corrosion (12)

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**QUESTION THREE**

- 3.1 Explain atmospheric water generation as a source of water. (5)
- 3.2 You have been appointed to design an ammonia production plant. What impacts will this plant have on the environment? (5)

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**QUESTION FOUR**

A conveyor is 750 m long and 1.0 m wide, and conveys coal of bulk density  $0.9 \text{ t/m}^3$  up a gradient of 1 in 60 at the rate of 250 t/h. Determine the suitable values of speed and total power for the installation. The average section of material on the belt can be considered to be W2/11 and the mass of the moving part per meter is taken to be 70 W. The idler friction coefficients are  $\mu_e=0.03$  and  $\mu_m=0.04$  respectively. (20)

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### **QUESTION FIVE**

- 5.1 What are the differences between Gyratory and jaw crushers? (6)
- 5.2 A material consisting originally of 25 mm particles is crushed to an average size of 7 mm and requires 20 kJ/kg for this size reduction. Determine the energy required to crush the material from 25 mm to 3.5 mm assuming
- (a) Rittinger's theory (5)
  - (b) Kick's theory (5)
  - (c) Bond's theory (5)

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### **QUESTION SIX**

- 6.1 What role does coagulation play in water treatment? Use a diagram and explain. (10)
- 6.2 Explain how fossil fuels are a source of pollution. (10)

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### **QUESTION SEVEN**

- 7.1 Describe the three main types of carbon steels and give two applications of each class (12)
- 7.2 A pipe has an outside diameter of 25 mm, an inside diameter of 15 mm and a length 0.40 m and it supports a compressive load of 40 kN. The pipe shortens by 0.5 mm when the load is applied. Determine
- (a) the compressive stress; (7)
  - (b) the compressive strain in the pipe when supporting the load. (7)

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