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ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM SECTION A AND ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 20 MARKS

Q1 a) What the meaning of the following process symbols:



i.



ii.



iii.

[2x3 Marks]

- b) Write a reaction equation to show how a super phosphate fertilizer is manufactured. [4 Marks]
- c) Draw a well-labelled process flow diagram for a Visbreaking process. [5 Marks]
- d) Explain the causes of eutrophication. [5 Marks]

SECTION A: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

- Q2** a) How is nitric acid produced using the Chile-Salpeter method? [4 marks]
- b) Why was it discontinued in Germany? [3 Marks]
- c) With a simple process flow diagram and reaction equations, describe Ostwald process for the production of nitric acid. [9 Marks]
- d) State any four major uses of nitric acid. [4 Marks]
- Q3** a) What are industrial gases? [3 Marks]
- b) Describe with the help of an appropriate diagram, one electrolytic method for the manufacture of hydrogen. [8 Marks]

- c) With the help of appropriate diagram explain how pressure swing technology is used to generate oxygen [8 Marks]
- d) How else can oxygen be manufactured? [2 Marks]
- Q4 a) With the help of appropriate diagram, describe the industrial manufacture of aluminium. [9 Marks]
- b) What is the purpose of cryolite in the manufacture of aluminum? [2 Marks]
- c) Explain why carbon electrodes are replaced regularly. [4 Marks]
- d) State the four properties of aluminium that are enhanced through anodizing? [5 Marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

- Q5 a) Draw a diagram illustrate a vacuum distillation process. [4 Marks]
- b) What is the main purpose of an FCC process [3 Marks]
- c) With the help of a process flow diagram, explain the Fluid Catalytic Cracking (FCC) process. [7 Marks]
- d) Using appropriate reaction equations, explain the Claus process. [6 Marks]
- Q6 a) Write reactions involved in the production of methanol from synthesis gas. [6 Marks]
- b) Different companies have developed catalysts for the manufacture of methanol. Name any three such catalysts and respective process conditions. [6 Marks]
- c) Draw a simplified process flow diagram for the manufacture of methanol. [6 marks]
- d) One major use of methanol is the manufacture of formaldehyde. Which two types of catalysts are used in the manufacture of formaldehyde? [2 Marks]
- Q7 a) Ethylation of benzene in the liquid phase is done in the presence of Lewis catalyst. Give any four examples of Lewis catalysts. [4 Marks]
- b) The liquid phase ethylation of benzene is carried out in excess benzene. Give reasons. [4 Marks]
- c) Ethylbenzene is converted to styrene. Describe the BASF process for dehydrogenation of benzene. [8 Marks]
- d) Why is styrene kept under cooler conditions? [4 Marks]

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