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# M.Sc. III Semester Degree Examination, April/May - 2023 APPLIED GEOLOGY

## Hydrogeology

(CBCS)

Time: 3 Hours Maximum Marks: 70

**Note:** Answer **any five** of the following questions with Question **No. 1 (Q1) Compulsory**, each question carries **equal** marks.

#### **1.** Answer the following :

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- (a) Describe the geologic and hydrogeologic characteristics of an aquifer that play in determining its hydrological properties.
- (b) What are the common geological formations that host groundwater and how do their properties affect groundwater occurrence and flow?

#### **2.** Answer the following :

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- (a) Explain the laboratory method for determining hydraulic conductivity(K).
- (b) Discuss the validity of Darcy's Law in describing the flow of water through porous media and the factors that may limit its applicability.

#### **3.** Answer the following:

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- (a) Discuss the importance of groundwater recharge and the impact that changes in recharge rates can have on groundwater resources.
- (b) Describe the process of steady radial flow towards a well and explain the factors that can affect the drawdown and pumping rate of the well.

#### **4.** Answer the following :

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- (a) Discuss the advantages of using groundwater as a source of drinking water and compare it with surface water sources in terms of quality, availability and reliability.
- (b) Compare and contrast the construction process for shallow and deep wells and discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each type of well.



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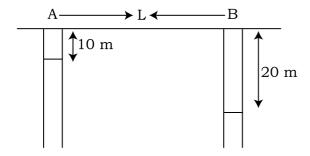
**5.** Answer the following:

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- (a) What are the main sources of contamination in groundwater and how can contamination occur through natural processes and human activities?
- (b) Describe the role of regulatory agencies in monitoring and managing groundwater quality for different uses.
- **6.** Describe the hydrological cycle and the processes involved in the movement of **14** water through the atmosphere, land, and oceans.
- **7.** Answer the following:

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- (a) What is a flow net and how is it used to visualize groundwater flow and calculate flow rates?
- (b) In the given data the well A and B situated in the same aquifer, the initial rising level of the well A is 10m and well B is 20m, and the distance between A and B well is 100m. Determine the hydraulic gradient.



**8.** Write a short note on:

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- (a) Confined and unconfined aquifer
- (b) Semi-confined aquifer
- (c) Land subsidence

