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ANNA UNIVERSITY (UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENTS)

B.E. /B.Tech / B. Arch (Full Time) - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS, APRIL / MAY 2025

MINING ENGINEERING

VIII Semester

MI 5016 MATERIAL HANDLING

(Regulation 2019)

Time:3 hours

Max. Marks : 100

CO1	Design and Application of Hoisting Systems
CO2	Application of men and material transport system
CO3	Design concept of scraper haulage, aerial ropeway and belt conveyor system in mines
CO4	Design and Constructional Features of Existing and Modern Belt Conveyors
CO5	Material Handling Systems and its principle to convey the minerals or materials from mines, plants and workshops.

**BL – Bloom's Taxonomy Levels**

(L1-Remembering, L2-Understanding, L3-Appling, L4-Analysing, L5-Evaluating, L6-Creating)

**PART- A ( 10x2=20 Marks)**

(Answer all Questions)

Q. No	Questions	Marks	CO	BL
1.	Name a few machinery that can be used to lift ROM ore over benches in an open cast mine.	2	1	L1
2.	How is over-winding prevented in a hoisting system used in underground mine?	2	1	L2
3.	Write short notes on causes for overturning of Mobile cranes.	2	2	L1
4.	Write short notes on reclaiming bulk materials with high flowability from a stock pile.	2	2	L2
5.	A conveyor belt experiences excessive stretch. What could be the possible causes and corrections to be done?	2	3	L4
6.	Name the various devices and components present in an Aerial ropeway.	2	3	L1
7.	Write short notes on the areas of applicability of Screw Conveyors.	2	4	L3
8.	List a few advantages of using sidewall belt conveyors.	2	4	L2
9.	Write short notes on the need for blending in a mine.	2	5	L2
10.	Write four suggestions that can be practised considering Safety principle for materials handling in a large granite quarry.	2	5	L3



**PART- B (5x 13=65 Marks)**

Q. No	Questions	Marks	CO	BL
11 (a)	A Skip Hoisting System has to be developed for an underground mine. List down the various principles you will consider. Describe in detail about the Safety Principle and Maintenance Principle.	13	1	L2
<b>OR</b>				
11 (b)	Describe the various components of a Bucket Elevator with a neat sketch. Highlight the types, areas of applicability and safety features needed for Bucket elevators.	13	1	L2
12 (a)	Describe the various characteristics of Bulk materials. Describe in detail any two of them highlighting applicability in design of conveying systems.	13	2	L3
<b>OR</b>				
12 (b)	List down the various parameters to be considered in selection of Materials Handling Equipment for transportation in an opencast iron ore mine.	13	2	L3
13 (a)	Describe in detail about a pneumatic conveying system used for transporting fly ash in a thermal power plant with a neat sketch.	13	3	L3
<b>OR</b>				
13 (b)	Describe any 5 major Belt Conveyor troubles encountered during operations and the corrective measures that can be taken to rectify the same.	13	3	L3
14 (a)	Describe the parts of Pipe Belt conveyor system with neat sketch, highlighting the advantages and limitations of its usage. Highlight the considerations needed for conveying iron ore in a hilly terrain.	13	4	L4
<b>OR</b>				
14 (b)	Describe the parts of a cable belt conveyor system with neat sketch, highlighting the advantages and limitations of its usage. Highlight the considerations needed for conveying iron ore for a distance of 15 kilometres in a hilly terrain.	13	4	L4
15 (a)	Name 4 types of Stackers. Describe about the construction, working, maintenance of a Stacker cum Reclaimer with a neat sketch.	13	5	L3
<b>OR</b>				
15 (b)	Name 4 types of Mobile Bulk Materials Handling equipment. Describe about the construction, working, maintenance of any one type with a neat sketch.	13	5	L3

**PART- C (1x 15=15 Marks)**  
(Q.No.16 is compulsory)

Q. No	Questions	Marks	CO	BL
16. (i)	Describe an iron ore handling belt conveyor system used in a port with a neat sketch.	7	5	L5
(ii)	Describe the various resistances that contribute to the effective tension in a belt conveyor system. Highlight the effect of oil leaks and the corrections you will carry out.	8	5	L6

