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# FIRST SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2020

Chemistry

## CHE 1B 01—THEORETICAL AND INORGANIC CHEMISTRY—I

(2019 Admissions)

Time: Two Hours

Maximum: 60 Marks

#### Section A (Short Answers)

Answer at least eight questions.

Each question carries 3 marks.

All questions can be attended.

Overall Ceiling 24.

- 1. How does inferential approach differ from experimental approach in research?
- 2. List out the major international publishers in chemical sciences.
- 3. What is PPE? What are the general contents in it?
- 4. Distinguish between mean and median.
- 5. What are the major limitations of the HSAB concept?
- 6. Compare the relative basic character of alkali metal hydroxides with alkaline earth metal hydroxides.
- 7. Why is Borazine named as inorganic Benzene?
- 8. Draw the structure of  $AlCl_3$  and substantiate its acidic character.
- 9. How is electronegativity assessed by Pauling's scale?
- 10. State Fajan's rule.
- 11. What is Group displacement law?
- 12. How do radioactive tracers help to study the reaction mechanism of ester hydrolysis?

 $(8 \times 3 = 24 \text{ marks})$ 

### Section B (Paragraph)

Answer at least five questions.

Each question carries 5 marks.

All questions can be attended.

Overall Ceiling 25.

- 13. Describe the hypothesis experiment theory route of scientific method?
- Calculate the : (a) Normality; and (b) Molarity of sulphuric acid solution prepared by dissolving 13.3 mL of sulfuric acid in 500 mL water (specific gravity for concentrated sulfuric acid is about 1.84 g/mL).
- 15. Distinguish between iodometric and iodimetric titrations with suitable examples.
- 16. Discuss the Lux-Flood and Usanovich concepts of acids and bases with suitable examples.
- 17. Describe the preparation methods of  $\mathrm{B_2H_6}$  and explain its structure.
- 18. Write a note on Carbon dating.
- 19. Define ionization energy and electron affinity. Comment on the horizontal and vertical trends.

 $(5 \times 5 = 25 \text{ marks})$ 

#### Section C

Answer any one question.

The question carries 11 marks.

- 20. Write an essay on safe laboratory practices and simple first aids which can be followed in an undergraduate chemistry laboratory.
- 21. (a) Explain the gaseous diffusion method and thermal diffusion method of separation of isotopes; (b) Write a brief note on the oxides of N.

 $(1 \times 11 = 11 \text{ marks})$