



# B.Sc DEGREE (CBCS) REGULAR / REAPPEARANCE EXAMINATIONS, MARCH 2024 Sixth Semester

# CHOICE BASED CORE COURSE - PH6CBT05 - ASTRONOMY & ASTROPHYSICS

Common for B.Sc Physics Model I, B.Sc Physics Model II Applied Electronics, B.Sc Physics Model II Computer Applications & B.Sc Physics Model III Electronic Equipment Maintenance

2017 Admission Onwards

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Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

## Part A

Answer any ten questions.

Each question carries 2 marks.

- 1. Venus is about 104 times brighter than the dimmest visible star. If the magnitude of the dimmest visible star is +6, what is the magnitude of Venus?
- 2. What is the function of objective lens of a telescope?
- 3. What determines the size of the image formed by a telescope?
- 4. Why does the star Polaris appear still in celestial sphere?
- 5. Define solar day.
- 6 Write a short note on chromosphere of the Sun.
- 7. What do you mean by Local Group of galaxies?
- 8. What are the properties of main sequence stars?
- 9. What is a red giant?
- 10 Why a Black hole is called so?
- 11. Which are the colour indices of stars?
- 12. What is an isotropic universe?

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 



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#### Part B

### Answer any **six** questions.

Each question carries 5 marks.

- 13. Write a brief description about (a) Radio astronomy and (b) X-ray astronomy.
- 14. At the surface of the Sun the intensity of the solar radiation is about  $6.33 \times 10^7$  W/m<sup>2</sup>. Estimate the surface temperature of Sun.
- 15. Distinguish between Summer solstice and winter solstice.
- 16. Explain the concept of Jeans mass and derive an expression for it.
- 17. Describe the late stages of evolution of a massive star.
- 18. Draw the Hertzsprung Russel diagram.
- 19 Discuss the standard big-bang theory for the origin of universe.
- 20. Estimate the age of the universe if Hubble's constant is 70km/s/Mpc.
- 21. What is dark energy?

 $(6 \times 5 = 30)$ 

#### Part C

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

- 22. Describe various astronomical distance sales. Explain the method of parallax to find distance to nearby stars.
- 23 Describe the equatorial and ecliptic coordinate systems of the Celestial sphere.
- Define the term Galaxy. Describe the Hubble's classification of galaxies.
- 25. State and explain Hubble's law of expansion of the universe and the concept of cosmological redshift.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30)$ 

