

**GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY****PDDC SEM-V Examination-Nov-2011****Subject code: X50904****Date: 26/11/2011****Subject Name: Switchgear****Time: 2.30 pm -5.00 pm****Total marks: 70****Instructions:**

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.

**Q.1 (a)** Explain the process of arc formation in circuit breaker. Which are the arc properties? **07**

**(b)** How arc extinction is done? Discuss the theories of arc extinction in brief. **07**

**Q.2 (a)** With neat sketch explain restriking and recovery voltage in circuit breaker. **07**

**(b)** Discuss the factors affecting restriking voltage in circuit breaker. **07**

**OR**

**(b)** Discuss with neat diagram, the small inductive current breaking by air blast circuit breaker. **07**

**Q.3 (a)** Explain "Interruption of capacitive current". **07**

**(b)** What is Asynchronous switching? **07**

**OR**

**Q.3 (a)** With neat diagram explain resistance switching. **07**

**(b)** Write a technical note on HVDC circuit breaker. **07**

**Q.4 (a)** How the voltage equalization is done in multi break ABCB? **07**

**(b)** Discuss the merits of SF<sub>6</sub> gas as an insulating and arc quenching medium? **07**

**OR**

**Q.4 (a)** Which are the different types of tests for circuit breakers? **07**

**(b)** With neat circuit diagram explain basic set up for short circuit testing of circuit breaker. **07**

**Q.5 (a)** Is it possible to replace 11KV, 200MVA (breaking capacity) SF<sub>6</sub> circuit breaker by 22KV, 200MVA SF<sub>6</sub> circuit breaker? Why? **07**

**(b)** Find out the natural frequency of transient over voltage when circuit breaker is opened on fault. Assume  $L = 0.5$  Henry and  $C = 5000 \mu\text{F}$ . What will be the natural frequency if a 10 KOhm resistance is shunted across contacts of CB in this condition of fault clearing? **07**

**OR**

**Q.5 (a)** Discuss "Auto Reclosing". **07**

**(b)** Write a technical note on "Vacuum Circuit Breaker". **07**

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