

PANJAB UNIVERSITY

B.Sc.II [SEMESTER-IV]

PAPER-XIII: INORGANIC CHEMISTRY-B

Time: 3 Hrs.

Max. Marks: 22+3 60 Hrs. (2 Hrs/Week)

3 Periods/Week

Instructions for the Paper Setters and Candidates

- (i) Examiner will set total of NINE questions comprising TWO questions from each unit and ONE compulsory question of short answer type covering whole syllabi.
- (ii) The students are required to attempt FIVE questions in all, ONE question from each unit and the Compulsory question.
- (iii) Compulsory question carries six marks and remaining all questions carry four marks each.

UNIT-I

8 Hrs.

Chemistry of Lanthanide Elements:

Electronic structure, oxidation states and ionic radii and lanthanide contraction, complex formation, occurrence and isolation, lanthanide compounds.

Chemistry of Actinides:

General features and chemistry of actinides, chemistry of separation of Np, Pu and Am from U, similarities between the later actinides and the later lanthanides.

MUNIT-II

7 Hrs.

Acids and Bases:

Arrhenius, Bronsted-Lowry, the Lux-Flood, solvent system and Lewis concepts of acids and bases.

UNIT—III

8 Hrs.

Oxidation and Reduction:

Use of redox potential data – analysis of redox cycle, redox stability in water – Frost, Latimer and Pourbaix diagrams. Principles involved in the extraction of the elements.

UNIT—IV

7 Hrs.

Non-aqueous Solvents:

Physical properties of a solvent, types of solvents and their general characteristics, reactions in non-aqueous solvents with reference to liquid NH_3 and liquid SO_2 .