

## DipLETE – ET (OLD SCHEME)

Code: DE17  
Time: 3 Hours

Subject: ELEMENTS OF SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS

Max. Marks: 100

**JUNE 2011**

**NOTE:** There are 9 Questions in all.

- Question 1 is compulsory and carries 20 marks. Answer to Q.1 must be written in the space provided for it in the answer book supplied and nowhere else.
- The answer sheet for the Q.1 will be collected by the invigilator after 45 Minutes of the commencement of the examination.
- Out of the remaining EIGHT Questions answer any FIVE Questions. Each question carries 16 marks.
- Any required data not explicitly given, may be suitably assumed and stated.

**Q.1 Choose the correct or the best alternative in the following: (2 × 10)**

- a. The down link frequency in the C band transponder is
- (A) 6 GHz (B) 4 GHz  
(C) 14 GHz (D) 11 GHz
- b. The carrier to noise ratio for a satellite depends upon
- (A) Effective Isotropic Radiated power  
(B) Bandwidth.  
(C) Free space path losses  
(D) All of them
- c. The multiple access technique suitable only for digital transmission is
- (A) TDMA (B) FDMA  
(C) Both (A) and (B) (D) Packet Access
- d. The function of protocol emulation in VSAT network is to operate seamlessly with
- (A) VSAT Antenna (B) Terrestrial Network  
(C) Space link (D) Satellite
- e. The most important piece of equipment of weather satellite is
- (A) Radiometer (B) Bolometer  
(C) Altimeter (D) Calorimeter
- f. The INSAT operates in
- (A) S-Band (B) C-Band  
(C) Q-Band (D) K-Band

- g. Which of the following digital modulation is widely used in satellite links
- (A) ASK (B) PSK  
(C) FSK (D) QPSK
- h. The location of a geostationary satellite is always given in terms of
- (A) a certain longitude (B) a certain latitude  
(C) longitude and latitude (D) distance from the earth's surface
- i. The number of members states of INMARSAT
- (A) 75 (B) 95  
(C) 85 (D) 55
- j. FDM is a method of
- (A) Combining signals at different frequencies into a single signal  
(B) Differentiating frequencies into a single signal  
(C) Frequency differentiated modulation  
(D) Frame differentiated modulation

---

**Answer any FIVE Questions out of EIGHT Questions.  
Each question carries 16 marks.**

---

- Q.2** a. Explain the general structure of a satellite communication system. (8)  
b. Derive the expression for the received power of a satellite receiver. (8)
- Q.3** a. Explain S/N and C/N ratio in FM. (8)  
b. Explain Frequency Shift Keying (FSK) and compare it with ASK. (8)
- Q.4** a. Explain the principle of Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA). (8)  
b. Explain the principle DS-CDMA technique. (8)
- Q.5** a. Explain the satellite location with respect to the earth. (8)  
b. Explain the eclipse effects on the satellite. (8)
- Q.6** a. Explain, Thermal Control of a satellite. (8)  
b. Explain Telemetry, Tracking & Command Subsystem of a satellite. (8)
- Q.7** a. Explain, antenna subsystem of satellite earth station. (10)  
b. Explain VSAT network architecture . (6)

- Q.8** a. Explain INMARSAT.  
b. Explain Cable channel frequencies for VHF range. (7)
- Q.9** a. Explain earth observation by satellites with respect to monitoring agriculture and forestry & monitoring oil pollution and air pollution. (10)  
b. Write short note on satellite TV. (6)