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**FINAL EXAMINATION
(TAKE HOME)
SEMESTER I
SESSION 2020/2021**

COURSE NAME : RENEWABLE ENERGY
COURSE CODE : BNE 34203
PROGRAMME CODE : BNE
EXAMINATION DATE : JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021
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INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
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THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF SEVEN (7) PAGES

- Q1** (a) Renewable energy is generally defined as energy that comes from resources. List **FOUR (4)** types of renewable energy. (4 marks)
- (b) List and explain **FOUR (4)** reasons why Renewable Energy is so important to worldwide. (8 marks)
- (c) Define Net Energy Metering (NEM) with an example, type of installation and capacity limits that needs by Sustainable Energy Development Authority of Malaysia. (8 marks)
- Q2** (a) Define what Wind Turbine is and list **TWO (2)** types of them. (4 marks)
- (b) Sketch **FOUR (4)** types of Vertical Axis Wind Turbine (VAWT) (8 marks)
- (c) A hydroelectric power station is supplied from a reservoir with area of 2.4 km^2 and capacity $5 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$. The effective head of water is 100 m, the penstock, turbine and generation efficiencies are 95%, 90% and 85%, respectively.
- (i) Calculate the total electrical energy that can be generated from the power station. (4 marks)
- (ii) If the load of 15000 kW has been supplied for 3 hours, predict the fall in reservoir level. Given, level of reservoir = $\frac{V}{A}$ (4 marks)
- Q3** (a) Fuel cell is an electrochemical device, closely related to the battery, which harnesses a chemical reaction between two reagents to produce electricity.
- (i) Sketch a diagram that explain the principle of fuel cell occurred at anode and cathode in order to produce electricity. (3 marks)
- (ii) Compare the reactions that occur at anode and cathode including the simple chemical formula. (4 marks)
- (iii) Identify fuel cell type with the lowest temperature. (1 mark)

(b) The monthly solar irradiation at site is given in the **Table Q3 (b)**.

Determine the following:

- (i) Total solar irradiation, H in units of $kWhm^{-2}$ (2 marks)
- (ii) Total solar irradiation, H in units of MJm^{-2} (2 marks)
- (iii) Annual Peak Sun Hour, PSH (2 marks)
- (iv) Average daily PSH for the whole year (2 marks)
- (v) PSH for the month of May (2 marks)
- (vi) Average daily PSH for May (2 marks)

Q4 (a) A company of aquaponics needs a stand-alone solar power system for supplying their loads based on usage hour as in **Table Q4 (a)** with the following data:

- Autonomy day : 2 days,
- System losses : 10%,
- Peak sun hours : 4 PSH,
- PV Module : Poly 200 w,
- Battery : 12V 250 Ah Gel,
- Depth battery discharge : 60%

You as a technologist solar expert are required to calculate & propose 48 Vdc solar balanced of system (BOS) as below:

- (i) Total Numbers of Solar Panel needed (refer **Figure Q4 (a)**) (5 marks)
- (ii) Inverter Sizing (5 marks)
- (iii) Solar Charger Controller (5 marks)

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(iv) Battery needed

(5 marks)

Q5 (a) Several Orang Asli's families lived near 750 meter height of waterfalls with 12.5 liter per second (l/s) of flowrate and 650 meter long beside the waterfalls without electricity.

A NGO community service approached and appointed you as a technologist hydro expert to help on design and build a suitable hydro system using their sponsored generator, IREM generator from Italy.

By referring to all data and IREM Hydro Power Range given in **Figure Q5(a)**, you are require to propose the most suitable hydro system in kW that will runs 24 hours non-stop by:

(i) Define suitable hydro turbine based on **Figure Q5 (a)**

(5 marks)

(ii) Calculate Total Load Demand for each house based on **Table Q5 (a)**.

(5 marks)

(iii) Calculate how many houses that can be supplied by your hydro power designed.

(5 marks)

(iv) Illustrate layout plan from water source, piping, turbine house and supplied loads.

(5 marks)

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Table Q3 (b): Monthly Solar Irradiation Data

Month	H(kWhm ⁻²)	Month	H(kWhm ⁻²)
Jan	125	Jul	138
Feb	130	Aug	142
Mar	150	Sep	150
Apr	140	Oct	152
May	135	Nov	130
Jun	136	Dec	125

Table Q4 (a): Aquaponics Load

No.	Items	Quantity	Watts	Usage in Hours
i.	LED Lights (Orange Color)	20	15	8
ii.	Motor Pump 1	2	746	1
iii.	LED Flood Light	2	50	6
iv.	13A Socket Outlet	2	500	2

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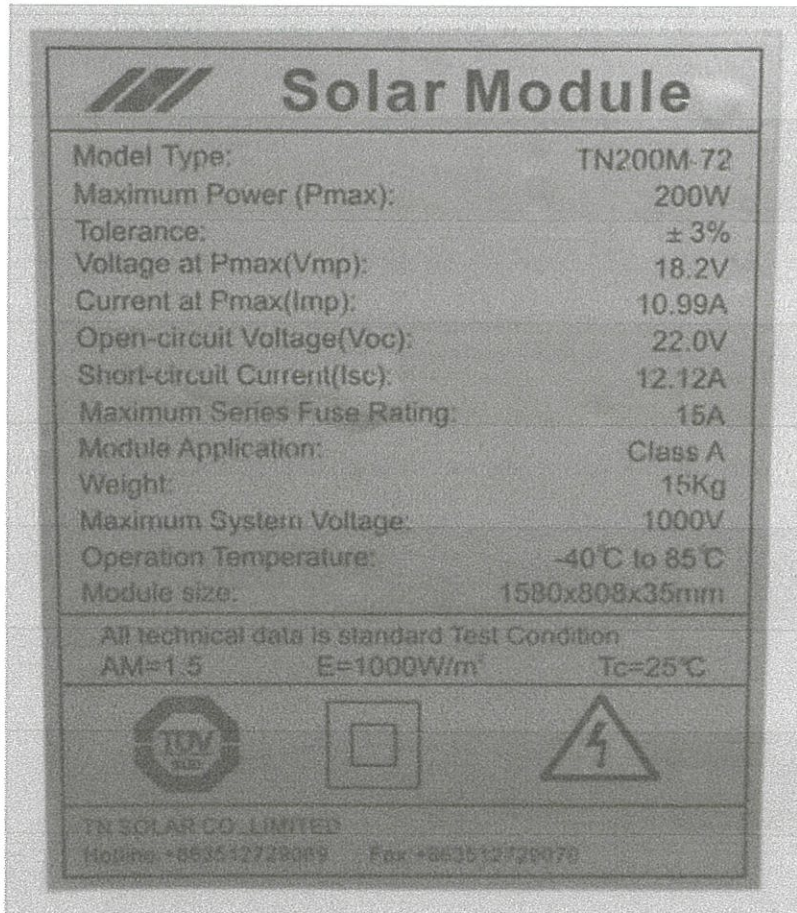


Figure Q4 (a): Solar Panel Specification

Table Q5 (a): Orang Asli's Load Demand per house

No.	Items	Quantity	Watts	Usage in Hours
i.	LED Lights	8	20	8
ii.	Table Fan	4	30	1
iii.	LED Flood Light	1	100	6
iv.	13A Socket Outlet	3	500	4

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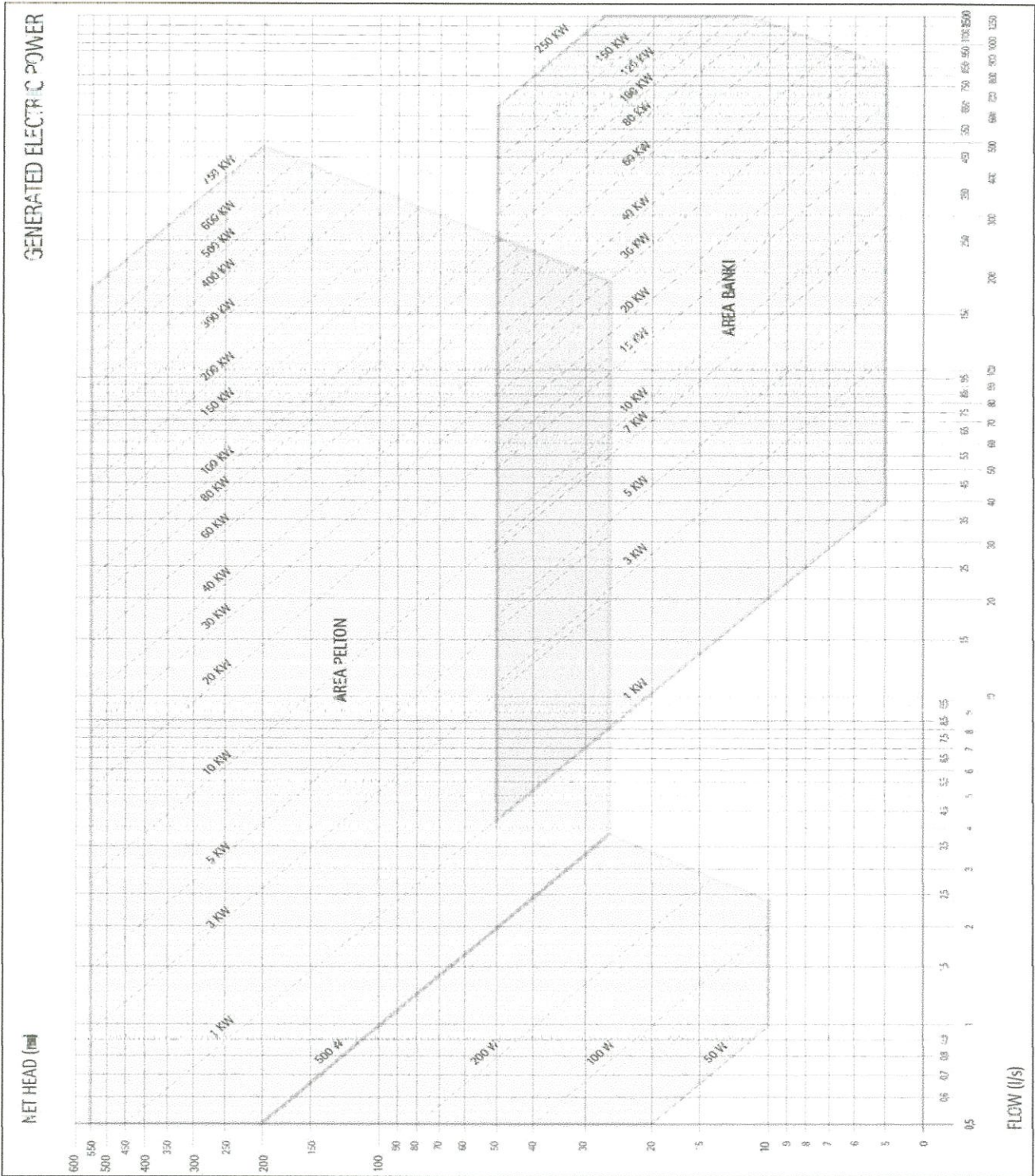


Figure Q5 (a): IREM Hydro Power Range

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