

UNIVERSITI TUN HUSSEIN ONN MALAYSIA

FINAL EXAMINATION SEMESTER II **SESSION 2023/2024**

COURSE NAME

ENVIRONMENTAL CHEMISTRY

COURSE CODE

DAU 22303

PROGRAMME CODE : DAU

EXAMINATION DATE :

JULY 2024

DURATION

2 HOURS 30 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

2. THIS FINAL EXAMINATION IS

CONDUCTED VIA

☐ Open book

3. STUDENTS ARE PROHIBITED TO CONSULT THEIR OWN MATERIAL OR ANY EXTERNAL RESOURCES DURING THE EXAMINATION

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THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF THREE (3) PAGES

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- Q1 The environment consists of a few components. Each component plays a unique role in sustaining ecosystems and supporting biodiversity.
 - (a) State the environmental components.

(4 marks)

(b) Describe any two (2) of the environmental components.

(6 marks)

(c) Describe the potential impacts of human activities on the environmental components. Give examples to support your answer.

(5 marks)

(d) Explain your understanding of the term 'environmental sustainability'.

(4 marks)

(e) The COVID-19 pandemic has had significant impacts on the environment, both positive and negative. Give your opinions on how the lockdown measures during the pandemic affected air and water quality.

(6 marks)

Q2 (a) Water is recycled using a hydrologic cycle. Describe the mechanisms in the hydrologic cycle.

(5 marks)

(b) Malaysia's National River Water Monitoring Program has been conducted by the Department of Environment (DOE). Explain the process carried out in the program.

(8 marks)

- You have been given a task to carry out water quality analysis on water samples collected from a river with a high concentration of organic pollutants. Propose a plan for
 - (i) Water sample collection
 - (ii) Storage of water samples
 - (iii) Preservation of water samples
 - (iv) Water analysis of water samples

(8 marks)

(d) Distinguish between biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and chemical oxygen demand (COD).

(4 marks)

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| Q3 | The atmosphere plays a vital role in supporting life on earth, regulating climate, as | nd |
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| | shaping weather patterns. | |

(a) Describe the different layers of the atmosphere.

(6 marks)

(b) Discuss the two (2) types of air pollutants. Name one (1) pollutant each.

(5 marks)

(c) Describe the air pollutant index (API) and how it is calculated.

(5 marks)

(d) Discuss the greenhouse effect and its role in regulating the earth's climate system.

(5 marks)

(e) Describe four (4) problems associated with global warming.

(4 marks)

- Q4 A green environment is needed as chemical developments bring new environmental problems and harmful unexpected side effects.
 - (a) Differentiate between green chemistry and environmental chemistry.

(4 marks)

(b) Explain three (3) aims of green chemistry.

(3 marks)

(c) Explain any two (2) principles of green chemistry.

(6 marks)

(d) Titanium can be produced following the chemical reaction below.

$$TiCl_4 + 2Mg \rightarrow Ti + 2MgCl_2$$

(i) Calculate the atom economy of the reaction. Given atomic mass in g/mol: Ti = 48, Mg = 24, O = 16, Cl = 35.5.

(5 marks)

(ii) Discuss the answer obtained in Q4(d)(i).

(4 marks)

(iii) Name and define the green chemistry principle in Q4(d).

(3 marks)

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