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# DIPLOMA EXAMINATION IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY/ MANAGEMENT/COMMERCIAL PRACTICE — APRIL, 2018

### COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING

[Time: 3 hours

(Maximum marks: 100)

PART — A

(Maximum marks: 10)

Marks

- I Answer all questions in one or two sentences. Each question carries 2 marks.
  - 1. What is Maximum Usable Frequency (MUF)?
  - 2. What is Diffraction?
  - 3. Define Frequency modulation.
  - 4. Define sensitivity of radio receiver.
  - 5. State the need for limiters in FM Receiver.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$ 

PART — B

(Maximum marks: 30)

- II Answer any five of the following questions. Each question carries 6 marks.
  - 1. Write a note on diversity reception.
  - 2. What are the characteristics of rhombic antennae?
  - 3. Distinguish between low level and high level modulation.
  - 4. What is pre-emphasis and de-emphasis?
  - 5. What is principle of AFC?
  - 6. Distinguish between simple AGC and delayed AGC.
  - 7. What is the function of a harmonic generator in AM transmitter?

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#### PART — C

## (Maximum marks: 60)

(Answer one full question from each unit. Each full question carries 15 marks.)

### Unit — I

Ш	(a) What is sky wave propagation?	3
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	(b) Explain the ionosphere and the characteristics of various layers.  OR	
IV.		
	(a) Marconi Antenna (b) Skip Distance	
	(c) Broadside antenna array	15
	Unit — II	
V	(a) Describe the frequency spectrum of AM with relevant figure and equations.	8
	(b) Explain vestigial side band system.	7
	Or	
VI	(a) Draw the waveforms of AM, FM and PM wave.	6
	(b) Compare narrow band and wide band FM.	9
	Unit — III	
VII	(a) Draw the block diagram of an AM transmitter.	7
	(b) Discuss about noise in communication system.	8
	OR	
VIII	With the help of necessary figure explain method for FM generation.	15
	Unit — IV	
IX	Explain a super heterodyne receiver with the help of a block diagram.	15
	OR	
X	(a) What are the characteristics of a radio receiver?	6
	(b) State the reasons affecting choice of IF in radio receivers.	9