

**Rural Energy Centre**  
**Ph.D Course Work**

Semester	Paper Code	Course Title	Credits	Total
<b>Core Courses</b>				
I	17REER0101	Solar & Wind Energy Technologies	4	24
	17REER0102	Bio & New Renewable Energy Technologies	4	
	17REER0103	Renewable Integrated Power Systems	4	
	17APRR0101	Research Methodology	4	
II	17REER0204	Instrumentation & Control Systems for Renewable Energy Systems	4	
	17REER02SX	Specific course to be prescribed by the Doctoral Committee	4	
	Seminar (3) Term Paper/Topical Research			
III Semester onwards	a) Project Planning including literature collection, finalisation of objectives and methodology		4	
	b) Field / Lab Studies, Data collection, compilation of results, statistical analysis, results and final conclusion		32	
End of Program	Synopsis and thesis submission, final viva		6	

**List of courses that are candidate centric (17REER02SX)**

<b>17REER02S1</b>	Renewable Energy & Energy Conservation / Management
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## **17REER0101 SOLAR & WIND ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES Credit: 4**

### **Learning Objective:**

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### **Learning Outcomes:**

- ✓ Understand the physics of solar & Wind energy
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### **UNIT I**

Solar Radiation – Assessment of Radiation - Measurement of solar radiation – Pyranometer, pyrheliometer, Sunshine recorder. Solar time - Local apparent time (LAT), equation of time (E) Solar radiation geometry - Earth-Sun angles – Solar angles. Calculation of angle of incidence - Calculation of total solar radiation on horizontal and tilted surfaces. Prediction of solar radiation availability- Forecasting techniques -Analysis of Indian solar radiation data and applications  
Solar Energy Policies and Schemes

### **UNIT II**

Solar systems for process heat production - Solar cooking – Performance and testing of solar cookers. Seawater desalination – Methods, solar still and performance calculations. Solar pond - Solar greenhouse. Solar thermal electric power plants based on parabolic trough, solar central receiver, parabolic dish-Stirling engine. Concentrated solar power using Fresnel lenses. Fundamentals of design calculations and analysis of solar power plants. Economic analysis. Necessity of storage for solar energy- Chemical energy storage - Thermal energy storage - Thermal Flywheels - Compressed air- Rechargeable batteries

### **UNIT III**

Formation of a pn – junction - Space charge and internal field - Quasi - Fermi levels - The Shockley diode equation - Structure of a solar cell - The solar cell equation - Fill factor and maximum power - Various electron - hole-pair recombination mechanisms - Crystalline silicon

solar cells - Thin film solar cells: CIGS, Cite and a – silicon - Tandem solar cells - Dye - sensitized solar cells - Organic solar cells Device isolation & analysis - Ideal cell under illumination solar cell parameters short circuit current, open circuit voltage, fill factor, efficiency; optical losses; electrical losses, surface recombination velocity, quantum efficiency - measurements of solar cell parameters; I-V curve & L-I-V characteristics, internal Quantum yield measurements – Effects of series and parallel resistance and Temperature - Loss analysis

## **UNIT IV**

Characteristics of the Atmospheric Boundary Layer- Stability of the Atmospheric Boundary Layer- Turbulence- Turbulence Intensity- Effect of Terrain on Wind Characteristics-General Description of the Wind-Influences on Airflow-Effects of Surface Roughness-siting in flat and complex terrain-buidling shelters-trees-depression –gap-passess .Wind resource Assessment-Measurement of wind: Ecological indicator, Anemometers and wind directions -Wind speed statistics: power available in the wind-Time and Frequency distribution, Mean wind speed and distribution of wind velocity -Statistical model for wind data analysis: Weibull distribution-Analysis of wind regimes - Local effects, wind shear, Turbulence and acceleration effects

## **UNIT V**

Introduction- Wind Energy System- classification of wind turbines- Components: Blades, hub, nacelle-Gearbox, generator, brakes- Tower, foundation, control system- Drivetrain Components- Betzlimit -performance of wind machines- Power, Torque Speed Characteristics- repowering of wind turbines-micro siting Wind Energy System Economics-. Engineering Economics Basics-Wind Turbine Cost Analysis- Basics for Calculating the Costs of Electricity - Calculation of the electricity generation costs of a large-sized wind turbine - Financing Costs - Economic Analysis Methods - Simple Payback Period Analysis - Life Cycle Costing Methods - Cash Flow Method (CFM) - levelized cost of electricity (LCOE) - discount rate - net present value - real rate of return - depreciation cost – Pay Back -Economic Performance Sensitivity Analysis

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7. Wind Electric Systems: S.N.Bhadra,D.Kastha, OXFORD university press, 2005.
8. Related MOOC Courses

# 17REER0102 BIO & NEW RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

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## **UNIT I**

Introduction Classification of biofuels, liquid and gaseous Production processes Raw materials and products. Introduction to biological processes of transformation Bioreactor concepts Kinetics of microbial growth Enzymatic kinetics Bioenergetics of biological reactions. Transformation of the substrate in biomass Applications of batch, CSTR and plug flow reactors Concepts of biofilm kinetics and fixed biomass reactors Anaerobic digestion. Microbiology and kinetics Phases of anaerobic digestion Disintegration and hydrolysis; Acidogenesis; Acetogenesis; Methanogenesis Syntrophic relationships between species Relevant chemical equilibria IWA-ADM1 Model (Anaerobic Digestion Model No. 1) Anaerobic digestion. Environmental and operational conditions Temperature pH and alkalinity Nutrients requirement Toxics and inhibitors Solids and hydraulic retention time Organic loading rate Granulation of anaerobic biomass

## **UNIT II**

Direct Combustion, Technology of Biomass gasification, Pyrolysis and Liquefaction, Biomass Gasifiers: History, Principle, Design of Biomass Gasifiers, updraft gasifier, down draft gasifier, zero carbon biomass gasification plants, Gasification of plastic-rich waste, applications for cooking, electricity generation, Gasifier Engines, Operation of spark ignition and compression ignition engine with wood gas, methanol, ethanol and biogas, Biomass integrated

gasification/combined cycles systems. Kinetics of Biomass Gasification - Reaction Kinetics - Mechanism of Gasification

### **UNIT III**

Fuel cell electrochemistry - Reaction rate - Butler Volmer equation implications and use of fuel cell polarization curve - Conversion of chemical energy in electricity in a fuel cell. Type of fuel cells, fuel cell working principle – Design - Proton exchange membrane fuel cells - Design issues - High temperature fuel cells - SOFC/MCFC - Comparison of fuel cell - Performance characteristics - Efficiency of leading fuel cell types. nano dimensional materials, classification of nanomaterials, bulk materials and nanomaterials – changes in bulk and nanomaterials of silicon, silver, gold. General methods of preparation of nanomaterials, thermal and thermoelectric properties of nano structures - modeling and metrology. Nanowires, nanostructures, nanocomposites

### **UNIT IV**

Small Hydropower Systems - Overview of micro, mini and small hydro systems; Hydrology; Elements of pumps and turbine; Selection and design criteria of pumps and turbines; Site selection and civil works Speed and voltage regulation; Investment issues load management and tariff collection; Distribution and marketing issues: case studies; Potential of small hydro power in India. – SHP – Renovation and Modernization – Testing Methods

### **UNIT V**

Ocean Energy As An Alternative Energy Source - Various Forms of Ocean Energy - Ocean Energy Potential – Global Scenario - Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion- Tidal Energy- Estimation of Tidal Energy Geothermal- MHD – Open and Closed Cycle System – Topping Cycle – Seed Recovery - Thermionic- Thermoelectric energy conversion system - Lithium Iron Batteries – Characteristics – Alge - Micro Alge - Marine Alge– Economics Biodiesel from Alge

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8. Related MOOC Courses

## **17REER0103      RENEWABLE INTEGRATED POWER SYSTEMS**

**Credits: 4**

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### **UNIT I**

Introduction – Characterization of Electric Power Quality: Transients, short duration and long duration voltage variations, Voltage imbalance, waveform distortion, Voltage fluctuations, Power frequency variation, Power acceptability curves – power quality problems: poor load power factor, Non linear and unbalanced loads, DC offset in loads, Notching in load voltage, Disturbance in supply voltage –

### **UNIT II**

Power quality standards. Single phase linear and non linear loads – single phase sinusoidal, non sinusoidal source – supplying linear and nonlinear load – three phase Balance system – three phase unbalanced system – three phase unbalanced and distorted source supplying non linear loads – convert of pf – three phase three wire – three phase four wire system.

### **UNIT III**

Solar: Block diagram of solar photo voltaic system -Principle of operation: line commutated converters (inversion-mode) – Boost and buck-boost converters- selection of inverter, battery sizing, array sizing Wind: Three phase AC voltage controllers- AC-DC-AC converters: uncontrolled rectifiers, PWM Inverters, Grid Interactive Inverters-matrix converters. Stand alone



operation of fixed and variable speed wind energy conversion systems and solar system- Grid connection Issues -Grid integrated PMSG, SCIG Based WECS, grid Integrated solar system

#### **UNIT IV**

Evolution of Electric Grid, Concept of Smart Grid, Definitions, Need of Smart Grid, Functions of Smart Grid, Opportunities & Barriers of Smart Grid, Difference between conventional & smart grid, Concept of Resilient & Self Healing Grid, Present development & International policies in Smart Grid. Case study of Smart Grid. CDM opportunities in Smart Grid. Introduction to Smart Meters, Real Time Pricing, Smart Appliances, Automatic Meter Reading(AMR), Outage Management System(OMS), Plug in Hybrid Electric Vehicles(PHEV), Vehicle to Grid, Smart Sensors, Home & Building Automation, Phase Shifting Transformers.

#### **UNIT V**

Micro grids and Distributed Energy Resources: Concept of micro grid, need & applications of micro grid, formation of microgrid, Issues of interconnection, protection & control of microgrid. Integration of renewable energy sources. Power Quality & EMC in Smart Grid, Power Quality issues of Grid connected Renewable Energy Sources, Power Quality Conditioners for Smart Grid, Web based Power Quality monitoring.

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8. Related MOOC Courses

**17REER0204 INSTRUMENTATION & CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR  
RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS**

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**UNIT I**

Measurement of temperature, pressure, flow and level – application - selection – calibration methods. Ion selective electrodes - Gas & Liquid Chromatography - Oxygen analyzers for gas and liquid –CO,CO<sub>2</sub> ,NO and SO Analyzers- Hydrocarbon and H<sub>2</sub>S Analyzers – Dust, smoke, Toxic gas and radiation monitoring. – Pyranometer – Pyrheliometer – Sunshine Recorder – Alphaspectrometer

**UNIT II**

Importance of error analysis - Uncertainties, precision and accuracy in measurement - Random errors - Distributions, mean, width and standard error - Uncertainty as probability - Gaussian and Poisson probability distribution functions, confidence limits, error bars, and central limit theorem - Error propagation - single and multi-variable functions, propagating error in functions - Data visualization and reduction - Least square fitting of complex functions

**UNIT III**

Transducer - Variable Capacitive Transducer – Capacitor Microphone - Piezo Electric Transducer – Variable Inductive transducer – LVDT, RVDT DVM, DMM – Storage Oscilloscope. Comparison of Analog and Digital Modes of operation, Application of

measurement system, Errors. Measurement of R, L and C, Wheatstone, Kelvin, Maxwell, Anderson, Schering and Wien bridges Measurement of Inductance, Capacitance, Effective resistance at high frequency, Q-Meter.

#### **UNIT IV**

Evolutions of PLCs – Programmable Controllers – Architecture – Comparative study of Industrial PLCs. –PLC Programming:- Ladder logic, Functional block programming, Sequential function chart, Instruction list and Structured text programming. SCADA:- Remote terminal units, Master station, Communication architectures and Open SCADA protocols

#### **UNIT V**

Characteristic of ON-OFF, P, P+I, P+D and P+I+D control modes – Digital PID algorithm – Auto/manual transfer - Reset windup – Practical forms of PID Controller – PID types Fuzzy Controller -Evaluation criteria – IAE, ISE, ITAE and  $\frac{1}{4}$  decay ratio. Tuning: - Process reaction curve method:- Z-N and Cohen-Coon methods, Continuous cycling method and Damped oscillation method – optimization methods – Auto tuning –Tuning PID Controller using Fuzzy Logic.

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Instrumented Systems for the Process Industry Sector; ANSI/ISA84.00.01-2004, Part 3: Guidance for the Determination of the Required Safety Integrity Levels-Informative.

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