

## JAYPEE UNIVERSITY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, WAKNAGHAT

## TEST -2 EXAMINATION- Oct 2017

B.Tech 5<sup>th</sup> Semester

COURSE CODE: 15B11BT511

MAX. MARKS: 25

COURSE NAME: Bioprocess Engineering

COURSE CREDITS: 04

MAX. TIME: 1:30 Hrs.

*Note: All questions are compulsory. Carrying of mobile phone during examinations will be treated as case of unfair means.*

1. Define Mass flux. [1]
2. What is surface renewal theory? [1]
3. What are the different factors affecting the cellular oxygen demand? [2]
4. What do you understand by Kolmogorov scale? What is its significance? [2]
5. How do you explain the difference between the amount of electrical power consumed by the motor and the power dissipated by the stirrer? [2]
6. How a fed-batch culture is different from batch culture? [2]
7. How the solubility of oxygen get affected by the following factors: [3]
  - a) Solutes
  - b) Temperature
  - c) Partial pressure of oxygen
8. A fermentation broth with viscosity  $10^{-2}$  Pa s and density  $1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$  is agitated in a  $2.7 \text{ m}^3$  baffled tank using a Rushton turbine with diameter  $0.5 \text{ m}$  and stirrer speed  $1 \text{ s}^{-1}$ . Estimate the mixing time. [3]
9. How will you determine the volumetric mass transfer coefficient using oxygen balance method? Elaborate the method in flow chart format. [4]
10. A genetically-engineered strain of yeast is cultured in a bioreactor at  $30 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  for production of heterologous protein. The oxygen requirement is  $80 \text{ mmol l}^{-1}\text{h}^{-1}$ ; the critical oxygen concentration is  $0.004 \text{ mM}$ . The solubility of oxygen in the fermentation broth is estimated to be 10% lower than in water due to solute effects.
  - a) What is the minimum mass-transfer coefficient necessary to sustain this culture if the reactor is sparged with air at approximately  $1 \text{ atm}$  pressure? [3]
  - b) What mass-transfer coefficient is required if pure oxygen is used instead of air? [2]