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M.Sc. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, AUGUST 2015

Second Semester

Faculty of Science

Branch : Chemistry

AN2C05/AP2C05/CH2C05/PH2C05/POH2C05—CO-ORDINATION CHEMISTRY

(Common to all branches of Chemistry)

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Section A

Answer any ten questions. Each question carries a weight of 1.

- 1. What is meant by Chelate effect?
- 2. On what all aspects the Crystal Field Theory theoretically fails?
- Distinguish between stepwise formation constants and overall formation constants with suitable example.
- 4. What are the demerits of Orgel Diagram?
- Compare Curie's law and Curie-Weiss law.
- 6. Discus the selection rules of electronic transitions of a complex.
- 7. Cis-[Co(en), Clo]+ or trans-[Co(en), Clo]+ is optically active? Clarify your answer.
- 8. What are the reasons for anomalous magnetic moments of complexes?
- 9. If d-d transitions in centrosymmetric complexes are forbidden by the Laporte selection rule, why do we see them?
- 10. The IR stretching frequency of CO in metal carbonyls occurs at a lower frequency than that in free CO molecule. Why?
- 11. What are the differences between 4 f and 5 f orbitals?
- 12. What are the applications of Trans Effect Theory?
- 13. What are the factors soften the formation of lanthanide complexes?

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Section B

Answer any five questions. Each question carries a weight of 2.

- 14. Discuss the experimental evidences of π bonding.
- 15. How does Tanabe Sugano diagram differ from an Orgel diagram?
- 16. How does the measurement of magnetic moments useful in predicting whether the complex is high or low spin ? Illustrate with suitable examples.

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- 17. Explain the Gouy method for the determination of magnetic moment of a complex.
- What are the steps involved in elucidating the structure of cobalt metal complex using electronic spectra.
- 19. Explain the dissociative and associative mechanisms?
- 20. Briefly discuss the outer sphere and inner sphere reaction mechanisms.
- 21. What is linkage isomerism? What are the factors affecting linkage isomerism?

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Section C

Answer any two questions. Each question carries a weight of 5.

- Discuss the different types of charge transfer spectra with suitable examples and respective MO diagrams
- 23. How will you determine the absolute configuration of a complex by ORD and CD ? Discuss one asymmetric synthesis catalyzed by a co-ordination compound.
- 24. Explain the kinetics and mechanism of nucleophilic substitution reactions in square planner complexes
- 25. Compare the co-ordination chemistry of lanthanides and actinides.

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