

M.Sc.- I (Mathematics) New CBCS Pattern Semester-I  
**PSCMTH05D - Number Theory**

P. Pages : 2

Time : Three Hours



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Max. Marks : 100

- Notes : 1. Solve all **five** questions.  
2. All questions carry equal marks.

**UNIT – I**

1. a) State and prove Wilson's theorem. 10  
b) Find the least positive integer  $x$  such that  $x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$ ,  $x \equiv 7 \pmod{11}$ , and  $x \equiv 3 \pmod{13}$ . 10

**OR**

- c) Show that 1387 is composite. 10  
d) Let  $q$  be a prime factor of  $a^2 + b^2$ . If  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  then prove that  $q \mid a$  and  $q \mid b$ . 10

**UNIT – II**

2. a) Show that the congruence  $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  of degree  $n$  has at most  $n$  solutions. 10  
b) Solve  $x^2 + x + 7 \pmod{81}$ . 10

**OR**

- c) If  $p$  is a prime and  $(a, p) = 1$ , then prove that the congruence  $x^n \equiv a \pmod{p}$  has  $(n, p-1)$  solutions or no solution according as  $a^{(p-1)/(n, p-1)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . 10  
d) Show that the congruence  $x^5 \equiv 6 \pmod{101}$  has 5 solutions. 10

**UNIT – III**

3. a) State and prove Gauss Lemma. 10  
b) State and prove the Gaussian reciprocity law. 10

**OR**

- c) Derive de Polignac's formula. 10  
d) Let  $x$  and  $y$  be real numbers. Then prove that 10

1)  $[x] \leq x < [x] + 1, x - 1 < [x] \leq x, 0 \leq x - [x] < 1$

2)  $[x] = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq x} 1$  if  $x \geq 0$ .

3)  $[x + m] = [x] + m$  if  $m$  is an integer.

4)  $[x] + [y] \leq [x + y] \leq [x] + [y] + 1$

**UNIT – IV**

4. a) Prove that for every positive integer  $n$ ,  $\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$  **10**

b) If  $f(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d)F(n/d)$  for every positive integer  $n$ , then prove that  $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$ . **10**

**OR**

c) Find all solutions of  $999x - 49y = 5000$ . **10**

d) Show that the equation  $y^2 = x^3 + 7$  has no solution in integers. **10**

5. a) Let  $f$  denote a polynomial with integral coefficients. If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  then prove that  $f(a) \equiv f(b) \pmod{m}$ . **5**

b) If  $d | (p-1)$ , then show that  $x^d \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  has  $d$  solutions. **5**

c) Prove that 3 is a quadratic residue of 13, but a quadratic nonresidue of 7. **5**

d) Show that the equation  $15x^2 - 7y^2 = 9$  has no solution in integers. **5**

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