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**B. Tech. Semester IV**

**Subject Name: Mechanical Operation**

**Subject Code: BTCH13401**

**Type of course: PCC**

**Prerequisite (if any):** Basic calculations in chemical engineering,

**Rationale:** This course offers basic understanding of different Mechanical operations like Size reduction and size analysis, Filtration, Fluidization, Agitation, and Mixing etc.

**Teaching and Examination Scheme:**

TEACHING SCHEME				Theory Marks			Practical Marks		Total
L	T	P	C	TEE	CA1	CA2	TEP	CA3	
2	0	2	3	60	25	15	30	20	150

**CA1:** Continuous Assessment (assignments/projects/open book tests/closed book tests) **CA2:** Sincerity in attending classes/class tests/ timely submissions of assignments/self-learning attitude/solving advanced problems **TEE:** Term End Examination **TEP:** Term End Practical Exam (Performance and viva on practical skills learned in course) **CA3:** Regular submission of Lab work/Quality of work submitted/Active participation in lab sessions/viva on practical skills learned in course

**Content:**

Sr. No.	Topics	Teaching Hrs.	Module Weightage
1.	<b>Solids , Size Reduction &amp; Enlargement:</b> Characteristics of solids, Solid particles characterization by sieve analysis, principle of comminution, types of crushers, grinders & disintegrators for coarse, intermediate & fine grinding, types of milling operations with applications in pharmaceuticals and pesticides industry, energy & power requirement, laws of crushers & work index, close & open circuit grinding, size enlargement by agglomeration, briquetting, compacting, granulation and tableting	8	34%
2.	<b>Screening &amp; Other Separation Methods:</b> Types of screens, comparison of ideal & actual screens, capacity & effectiveness of screens, principle of elutriation, floatation, jigging, electrostatic & magnetic separation processes	4	12%
3.	<b>Sedimentation and Electrostatic Precipitator:</b> Settling velocities in free & hindered settling, flocculation, rate of sedimentation, types of thickener & thickener area calculation, batch & continuous settling chambers, sorting classifiers, centrifugal settling process,	4	12%

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	cyclone, principle of centrifugal sedimentation, working principle and applications of Electrostatic Precipitator.		
4.	<b>Fluidization:</b> Mechanism, dense phase fluidisation & boiling beds, minimum porosity of bed & bed height, minimum fluidisation velocity & pressure drop in fluidised beds, applications of batch & continuous fluidisation	4	12%
5.	<b>Filtration:</b> Types of filters, filter media, filter aids, batch & continuous filtration equipments – filter press, leaf filter, cartridge filter, rotary drum filter, theories of filtration, washing of cake, principle of centrifugal filtration, suspended basket centrifuge, etc.	4	12%
6.	<b>Mixing &amp; Agitation:</b> fundamentals of mixing & agitation, characteristics of mixing equipments, agitation of liquids, types of impellers, power consumption in agitated vessels in liquid – liquid, liquid – solid & solid – liquid mixing, mixing of pastes & paste masses, pony mixers, beater mixer, mixing of dry powder, ribbon blender, tumbler mixer, etc.	4	12%
7.	<b>Conveying and Storage of solids:</b> mechanical & pneumatic conveying, elevators, etc. storage of solids, liquids & gases	2	6%

**Suggested Specification table with Marks (Theory/Practical):**

% Distribution of Marks					
R Level	U Level	A Level	N Level	E Level	C Level
25	25	20	20	10	00

**Legends:** R: Remembrance, U: Understanding; A: Application, N: Analyze, E: Evaluate C: Create and above Levels (Revised Bloom's Taxonomy)

**Note:** This specification table shall be treated as a general guideline for students and teachers. The actual distribution of marks in the question paper may vary slightly from above table.

**Reference Text Books:**

Sr. No.	Title of book /article	Author(s)	Publisher and details like ISBN	Year of publication	Publication Edition
1	Unit Operations in Chemical Engineering	Warren L. McCabe, Julian C. Smith & Peter Harriot	McGraw Hill Publications	2004	7 <sup>th</sup>
2	Chemical Engineering Vol. 2	J. M. Coulson & J. F. Richardson	Pergamon International, Great Britain	1984	5 <sup>th</sup>
3	Mechanical Operations for Chemical Engineers	C.M. Narayanan and B.C. Bhattacharya	Khanna Publisher, ISBN: 978-81-7409-036-2	1990	3 <sup>rd</sup>



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**Course Outcome:**

Sr. No.	CO Statement After learning this subject, students will be able to	Marks % weightage
CO-1	Characterize solid particles and perform size reduction of particles to meet the need of chemical industries	20
CO-2	Review the practical importance and relevance of unit operations used for crushing and grinding in chemical industries	20
CO-3	Evaluate the parameters of various filtration equipment and sedimentation	20
CO-4	Comprehend fluid flow through fluidized bed	25
CO-5	Identify the different types of mixing, agitation and conveying of solids and estimating the power requirement	15

**Mapping with POs:**

	PO 1	PO 2	PO 3	PO 4	PO 5	PO 6	PO 7	PO 8	PO 9	PO 10	PO 11	PO 12	PSO 1	PSO 2	PSO 3
CO-1	3	3	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	2	2	2
CO-2	3	3	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	2	2	1
CO-3	3	3	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	1	1	1
CO-4	3	3	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
CO-5	3	3	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
Rationale *	3	3	2	1	1	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	3

**Rationale\*:** Explaining why it is matching this particular program outcome

**LIST OF PRACTICALS:**

- To determine the screen efficiency for the given sample by sieve analysis
- To determine the screen efficiency for the given sample by vibrating screen
- To determine nip angle, Reduction Ratio, Ribbon Factor, Rittinger's constant, Bond's constant, Kick's constant, Work Index as well as Theoretical & Actual Capacity using roll crusher
- To determine Rittinger's constant, Bond's constant, Kick's constant and Work Index using jaw Crusher
- To calculate the overall efficiency of the cyclone separator.
- To carry out the batch sedimentation tests.
- To determine critical speed for ball mill

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8. To study filter press
9. To determine separation efficiency by using froth flotation cell
10. To study the fluid flow through fluidized bed reactor

**Major Equipment:**

Jaw crusher, Pulverizer, Roll crusher, Ball mill, Cyclone separator, Plate & Frame filter press, Sieve shaker apparatus etc.

**List of Open Source/learning website:**

Reference to NPTEL lectures can be made for a better understanding regarding mechanical operation done in industries under different conditions.

