

- (f) Define dome faces of a crystal.
- (g) What do the acronyms FCC and HCP stand for?
- (h) Which factors control the birefringence of a mineral?

2. Answer any **two** questions : 5×2=10

- (a) Write short notes on :
 - (i) isomorphism, and (ii) piezoelectricity.
- (b) Briefly describe the process of determination of Miller's Indices of crystal faces.
- (c) Describe different types of unit cell with suitable diagrams.
- (d) Briefly describe the relationship among ionic radius ratio, coordination number and arrangement of anions around cation.

3. Answer any **one** question : 10×1=10

- (a) Briefly describe with diagram the principle and method of construction of Nicol prism.
- (b) Write the common formula of pyroxene group of minerals. Write name of different minerals in pyroxene quadrilateral with diagram.

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Time : 1 Hour 15 Minutes

Full Marks : 25

The figures in the right hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

1. Answer any **five** questions : 1×5=5

- (a) Name the crystal system in which the isotropic minerals crystallise.
- (b) Give one example of mineral which occur in fibrous form.
- (c) Write the name of a felsic mineral which is undersaturated with respect to SiO₂.
- (d) Name one high temperature polymorph of SiO₂.
- (e) Mention two calcium-bearing minerals of Mohs' Scale of Hardness.