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## FOURTH SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, MAY 2014

(CCSS)

Core Course—Geology

GL 4B 07-MINERALOGY

me: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

#### Section A

Answer all questions.

- 1. Cryptocrystalline variety of quartz is:
  - (a) Amythyst.

(b) Flint.

(c) Opal.

(d) Coesite.

- 2. Enstatite is:
  - (a) Sorosilicate.

(b) Tectosilicate

(c) Inosilicate.

- (d) Phyllosilicate
- 3. A mineral with octahedral cleavage:
  - (a) Halite.

(b) Feldspar.

(c) Fluorite.

- (d) Sphalerite.
- 4. Minimum refractive index in biaxial crystal is along:
  - (a) Y-vibration direction.
- (b) X-vibration direction.
- (c) Z-vibration direction.
- (d) In between these.

#### swer to the points:

- 5. Chemical composition of rutile.
- 6. A mineral showing twinkling.
- 7. An iron bearing garnet.
- 8. Si: O ratio in tectosilicate.

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- 9. ———— is the breaking of a mineral along a set of parallel identical atomic planes.
- 10. ——— is the red gem variety of corundum.
- 11. Basal sections of uniaxial crystals are
- 12. Hornblende belongs to family.

 $(12 \times \frac{1}{4} = 3 \text{ weightage})$ 

#### Section B

Answer all questions.

### Define the following:

- 13. Exsolution.
- 14. Optic axis.
- 15. Paramagnetism.
- 16. Streak.
- 17. Serpentine.
- 18. Acute bisectrix.
- 19. Polarized light.
- 20. lsotropism.
- 21. Optic axial angle.

 $(9 \times 1 = 9 \text{ weightage})$ 

# Section C (Short Essay or paragraph questions)

Answer any **five** questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

- 22. Feldspathoids.
- 23. Fracture.
- 24. Pseudomorphism.
- 25. Optical and physical properties of tourmaline.
- 26. Optic sign in minerals.
- 27. Bonding in minerals.
- 28. Beryl.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ weightage})$ 

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# Section D (Essay questions)

Answer any **two** questions.

Each question carries 4 weightage

- 29. Describe feldspar group of minerals.
- 30. Write an essay on optical accessaries and their uses.
- 31. Describe olivine groups of minerals.

 $(2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ weightage})$