

**RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA**  
(Residential Autonomous College affiliated to University of Calcutta)

SECOND YEAR [2017-20]

B.A./B.Sc. THIRD SEMESTER (July – December) 2018

Mid-Semester Examination, September 2018

Date : 25/09/2018

Time : 12 noon – 1 pm

**CHEMISTRY (General)**

Paper: III

Full Marks : 25

Answer **any five** questions:

(5 × 5)

1. a) Why do the melting and the boiling points of noble gases increase with increasing atomic number? 2  
b) How xenon fluorides are prepared? Predict the structure of XeF<sub>2</sub>. 2+1
2. a) Outline the preparation of the following compounds:  
(i) Potassium chlorate (ii) Bleaching powder. 2  
b) Why XeF<sub>6</sub> cannot be stored in glass vessel. 2  
c) State two applications of noble gases. 1
3. a) What happens when:  
(i) Chlorine water is added in drops to an aqueous solution of KI and shaken in presence of CCl<sub>4</sub>? 3  
(ii) A mixture of calcium fluoride, sand and concentrated H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> is warmed in a lead crucible and drop of water is held in the issuing vapor? 2  
(iii) AgCl precipitate is shaken with KI solution? 3  
b) Write short note on pseudo-halogen. 2
4. a) Arrange the following halogen hydric acids according to their acid strength; HF, HCl, HBr and HI? Explain your answer. 3  
b) What are the reasons for exceptionally high reactivity of fluorine? 2
5. How will you prepare borazole and N-methyl borazole? Give a short description on the structure of borazole. 3+2
6. a) What is 'inert-pair effect'? SnCl<sub>2</sub> is a strong reducing agent but PbCl<sub>2</sub> is not. Explain. 3  
b) NCl<sub>3</sub> and PCl<sub>3</sub> give different products on hydrolysis. Explain. 2
7. a) Give a brief description on phosphazene. 2  
b) Hydroxylamine has both oxidising and reducing properties. Explain with equations. 3
8. a) What is inorganic benzene? Draw a comparison between inorganic benzene and benzene. 3  
b) What happens when NaBiO<sub>3</sub> is added to an aqueous HNO<sub>3</sub> solution of MnSO<sub>4</sub>? 2

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