

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

BE- SEMESTER-V (NEW) EXAMINATION – WINTER 2024

Subject Code:3155102

Date:25-11-2024

Subject Name:Food Drying, Dehydration and Preservation

Time:10:30 AM TO 01:00 PM

Total Marks:70

Instructions:

1. Attempt all questions.
2. Make suitable assumptions wherever necessary.
3. Figures to the right indicate full marks.
4. Simple and non-programmable scientific calculators are allowed.

MARKS

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| Q.1 | (a) | Define drying and explain the need for moisture removal from food. | 03 |
| | (b) | Compare the different models used for EMC determination. How do these models impact the drying process? | 04 |
| | (c) | What is equilibrium moisture content (EMC)? List the methods used to determine EMC. | 07 |
| Q.2 | (a) | Describe the constant and falling rate periods of drying. | 03 |
| | (b) | List the classification criteria for dryers. | 04 |
| | (c) | Name three types of dryers and mention their specific applications in the food industry. | 07 |
| OR | | | |
| | (c) | Explain how spray drying is different from freeze drying. | 07 |
| Q.3 | (a) | Define re-hydration ratio and its significance in food drying. | 03 |
| | (b) | Discuss the impact of water activity on the shelf life of dried foods. | 04 |
| | (c) | What are the basic steps in designing a tray dryer? | 07 |
| OR | | | |
| Q.3 | (a) | What are the basic concepts of food preservation? | 03 |
| | (b) | Explain how hybrid dryers improve the drying process. | 04 |
| | (c) | Analyze the relationship between size, density, and physical characteristics of dried food products. How do these factors affect re-hydration? | 07 |
| Q.4 | (a) | List two novel drying techniques. | 03 |
| | (b) | Discuss the theoretical aspects of drying. Why is understanding thermal properties crucial for food drying? | 04 |
| | (c) | Create a design for a tray dryer based on the basic design steps provided in class. | 07 |
| OR | | | |
| Q.4 | (a) | Write the differences between thin-layer and deep-bed drying methods. | 03 |
| | (b) | Explain the utilities of drying in food preservation. | 04 |
| | (c) | Evaluate the environmental impact of super-heated steam drying compared to traditional drying methods. | 07 |
| Q.5 | (a) | What are dryer performance indices? Discuss the importance of overall thermal efficiency and specific energy consumption in assessing dryer performance. | 03 |
| | (b) | Compare capillary theory and diffusion theory in the context of food drying | 04 |

- (c) Describe the methods used for determining moisture content in foods. **07**

OR

- Q.5** (a) Write the drying and dehydration differences **03**
(b) Explain the factors that affect food deterioration. **04**
(c) Assess the quality criteria that should be considered when selecting a dryer for delicate foods. **07**
