

**M. SC. IN CHEMISTRY/  
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CHEMISTRY  
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Term-End Examination  
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**MCH-016 : INORGANIC CHEMISTRY-2**

*Time : 2 Hours*

*Maximum Marks : 50*

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**Note :** Answer any *five* questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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1. (a) What are the intimate type of mechanisms possible for substitution in octahedral complexes ? Why do nickel complexes undergo much faster substitution than platinum complexes ?

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- (b) With the help of a suitable diagram, explain the Bailar twist mechanism followed in intramolecular racemisation reactions. 5
2. (a) Explain Berry's pseudorotation mechanism. What is the effect of charge on the reactivity of the square planar complexes ? 5
- (b) Compare the hydrolysis mechanism in acidic medium with the conjugate base mechanism. 5
3. (a) How are the ligands classified based on their trans effects for synthesizing octahedral complexes ? Give examples for each class. 6
- (b) Give the stoichiometric classification of redox reactions with suitable examples.

4. (a) What are the different types of molecular rearrangement processes possible in octahedral metal complexes ? Briefly explain. 6
- (b) With the help of a suitable diagram, explain the formation of a precursor complex in the outer sphere mechanism. 4
5. (a) Briefly explain the different classes of mixed valence complexes. 5
- (b) What are siderophores ? Explain. Give any *two* of their applications. 5
6. (a) Why are hemoglobin and myoglobin involved in transport of oxygen but not cytochrome P<sub>450</sub> ? Give reasons. 3
- (b) Name the metals that are present in the active centres of nitrogenase. 2
- (c) Explain the different types of binding of metals to nucleic acid bases. 5

7. (a) Describe the blue copper proteins. 5
- (b) How is lead poisoning treated ? 2
- (c) What is daily intake requirement of zinc by an adult human ? Give any *three* symptoms of Zn deficiency. How is zinc deficiency treated ? 3

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