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JAWAHARLAL NEHRU TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY HYDERABAD B. Tech IV Year II Semester Examinations, July - 2014 PLANT LAYOUT AND MATERIAL HANDLING

(Mechanical Engineering)

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 75

Answer any Five Questions All Questions Carry Equal Marks

- 1.a) What are the objectives of plant layout?
 - b) Explain the factors influencing plant layout.
 - c) What are the symptoms of a poor plant layout?
- 2.a) What do you mean by the term plant location? Explain clearly.
 - b) What are the various factors which affect plant location?
 - c) What are the factors to be considered to obtain good working conditions in a Plant?
- 3.a) Discuss about container used in material handling.
 - b) Explain briefly with diagram about the working of gantry crane.
 - c) Discuss different ways of improving material handling systems from time to time.
- 4.a) Describe the principle followed for material handling activities.
 - b) In which situation conveyors are preferred? Why?
 - c) Explain the use of break-even analysis for plant location with a suitable example.
- 5.a) Compare process layout with product layout with examples.
 - b) Describe with neat sketches about the various flow patterns used in the industries.
- 6.a) What do you understand by line balancing?
 - b) What are the symptoms of an unbalanced line?
- 7. Why effective plant maintenance is important? Does this have any connection with organization placement of the maintenance department? If so, what and why?
- 8. What are the factors to be considered in choosing the location for the following industries?
 - a) Aluminium industry.
 - b) Thermal power plant.
 - c) Large furniture (domestic and office) manufacturing unit.