## **UCH401 FLUID AND PARTICLE MECHANICS (WITH PROJECT)**

L T P Cr 3 1 2 8.0

# **Course Objective:**

To understand basic principles of fluid and particle mechanics including construction and working of the equipments.

**Particle Characterization and Handling:** Determination of mean particle size, Particle shape and size distribution, Screen analysis, Storage of solids, conveying systems

**Size Reduction**: Laws of size reduction, Industrial size reduction equipment.

**Fluid-Solid Separations**: Free and hindered settling, Clarification and thickening, Froth flotation, Centrifugal separation, Theory of filtration and filtration equipment

**Packed and Fluidized Bed**: Friction in flow through packed beds, Mechanism of fluidization, Determination of minimum fluidization velocity, Determination of velocity range for the operation of a fluidized bed.

**Agitation and Mixing of Liquids:** Types of impellers, Power consumption, mixing times, Scale up.

**Pumps and Compressors:** Types, Working principles, Basic equations, NPSH, Cavitation, Priming.

Flow of Compressible Fluids: Basic equations: Adiabatic, isothermal and isentropic flows.

# **Laboratory Work:**

Screen analysis, Power requirement in mixing, Plate and frame filter press, Leaf filter, Elutriation, Pressure drop in fluidized bed and packed bed, Sedimentation, Centrifugal pump characteristics, Size reduction, Cyclone separator.

# **Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)**

Upon completion of this course, the students will be able to:

- 1. solve and analyze problems of size reduction and solid-solid separation methods.
- 2. analyze and design of equipment handling fluid-particle systems.
- 3. analyze mixing process, and sizing of hoppers and bins and selection of suitable solid conveying systems.
- 4. analyze and solve problems related to flow through beds of solids.

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5. solve the problems related to compressible fluids, and fluid machinery.

# Projects based on:

- Pumps characteristics
- Solid-solid separations
- Solid-liquid separations
- Solid-gas separations
- Flow through packed and fluidized beds

### Text Books:

- 1. McCabe, W.L., Smith, J.C., and Harriot, P., Unit Operations of Chemical Engineering, McGraw-Hill (2005).
- 2. Richardson, J.F., Harker, J.H. and Backhurst, J.R., Coulson and Richardsons Chemical Engineering, Vol. 2, Butterworth-Heinemann (2007).

# Reference Books:

- 1. Foust, A.S, Wenzel, L.A, Clump, C.W., Maus, L. and Anderson, L.B., Principles of Unit Operations, John Wiley (2008).
- 2. Perry, R.H, and Green, D.W., Perry's Chemical Engineers' Handbook, McGraw Hill (2007).
- 3. Narayanan, C.M. and Bhattacharya, B.C., Mechanical Operations for Chemical Engineers Incorporating Computer Aided Analysis, Khanna Publishers (2005).

### **Evaluation Scheme:**

S. No.	<b>Evaluation Elements</b>	Weightage (%)
1	MST	20
2	EST	30
3	Sessional (May include may be tutorials/ quiz's/	50
	/lab/ project)	