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QN	Answer ALL the questions (5 x 10 = 50 Marks)	Marks	CO	BL
1	Elucidate the d-orbital energy levels and the distribution of d electrons among them, state the geometry and hybridization, label whether they are paramagnetic or diamagnetic, and state whether this is low or high spin complex. (At. No. of Ir = 77) [Fe(CN) <sub>6</sub> ] <sup>3-</sup> , [CrF <sub>6</sub> ] <sup>3-</sup> , [Co(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>6</sub> ] <sup>2+</sup> , [Ir(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>6</sub> ] <sup>3+</sup>	10	CO1	BL3
2	What is 18-electron Rule? How do you explain the stability of the following organometallics using this rule? (At. No. of Re = 75) 	10	CO1	BL4
3	(a) Comment on the significance of Mg in Chlorophyll. (b) Find out the spin-only magnetic moment, Δ <sub>o</sub> and geometry of following metal complexes: [Ni(CN) <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>2-</sup> and [Ni(Cl) <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>2-</sup>	(5 + 5)	CO1	BL1
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b > a > d > c

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**(a) Comment on the significance of Mg in Chlorophyll.**

**Any five points.**

- Mg(II) prefers tetrahedral geometry rather than square planar geometry. But in Chlorophyll it is in square planar geometry**
- Mg(II)-N bonds in chlorophyll is strained – the electrons involved in bonding can be excited upon light absorption as strain is relived in excited state**
- The Mg<sup>2+</sup> forms only weak spin-orbit coupling with excited state of the tetrapyrrole ring and thus it hinder the transfer of the energy of light in the forms of fluorescent or heat**
- In presence of Mg, rigidity of porphyrin ring will increase, excited state life time will increase-phosphorescence**
- Antenna chlorophylls – polymers of chlorophyll are formed due to the coordination of the carbonyl part of one chlorophyll with Mg(II) of other chlorophyll**
- The coordination of water in the axial position with Mg(II) favors splitting of water to form H atom that provides electron for photosynthetic process – active reaction center in photosynthesis**

**3 (b) Find out the spin-only magnetic moment,  $\Delta_0$  and geometry of following metal complexes:  $[\text{Ni}(\text{CN})_4]^{2-}$  and  $[\text{Ni}(\text{Cl})_4]^{2-}$**

**(5 + 5)**

CO1

BL1

**Ans.**

From VBT ( 4 marks)	CFT ( 1mark)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oxidation state of Ni = +2,</li> <li>Geometry=, square planar, dsp</li> <li>Diamagnetic, No. of unpaired electron=0,</li> </ul>	<p>Only describe the order of <math>\Delta_0</math> using the concept of strong and weak field ligand</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Oxidation state of Ni=+2,</li> <li>sp<sup>3</sup>. tetrahedral,</li> <li>No. of upaired electron= 2, paramagnetic</li> <li><math>\mu=n(n+2)</math></li> </ul>	

**CN = strong field ligand; Cl = Weak field ligand**

**(5 Marks)**

4	<p>(a) Write down the structure, oxidation state, hybridization and magnetic moment of the sandwich organometallic compound which is used as an anti-knocking agent in the fuel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ferrocene structure (2marks)</li> <li>• Oxidation state ( 1mark)</li> <li>• d2sp2 hybridization ( 1mark)</li> <li>• diamagnetic ( 1mark)</li> </ul> <p>(b) How do the 's' character and resonance influence the stability of carbanions? Explain with suitable examples.</p> <p><b>Ans. Based on s character-greater the s character higher the stability</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ An s orbital is closer to the nucleus than the p orbital in a given main quantum level and it possesses lower energy.</li> <li>❖ An electron pair in an orbital having large s character is, therefore, more tightly held by the nucleus and hence of lower energy than an electron pair in an orbital having small s character.</li> <li>❖ Hence, a carbanion at an sp hybridized (50% s character) carbon atom is more stable than a carbanion at a sp<sup>2</sup> hybridized (33.33% s character) carbon atom, which in turn is more stable than a carbanion at an sp<sup>3</sup> hybridized (25% s character) carbon atom.</li> </ul> <p>Negative charge is stabilized as the hybridization includes more s orbitals</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p> <math>\text{H}_3\text{C}-\overset{\ominus}{\text{C}}\text{H}_2</math>   &lt;   <math>\text{H}_2\text{C}=\overset{\ominus}{\text{C}}\text{H}</math>   &lt;   <math>\text{H}-\text{C}\equiv\overset{\ominus}{\text{C}}</math> </p> <p> <i>sp<sup>3</sup> hybridized (least stable)</i>      <i>sp<sup>2</sup> hybridized</i>      <i>sp hybridized (most stable)</i> </p> </div>	( 5 + 5)	CO1	BL2
5	<p>(a) Describe the stability order of methyl radical, ethyl radical, isopropyl radical and tert-butyl radical.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Order of stability : tert-butyl radical &gt; isopropyl radical &gt; methyl radical ( 2marks)</li> <li>• Presenting actual structure of each intermediate ( 1 mark)</li> <li>• Explain based on Inductive effect and hyperconjugation trends ( 2 marks)</li> </ul> <p>(b) Predict the decreasing order of stability of the following carbocations.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>(a)                      (b)                      (c)                      (d)</p> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Order of increasing stability : b &gt; a &gt; d &gt; c ( 1mark)</li> <li>• Suitable explanation for each intermediate (1mark)</li> </ul>	( 5 + 5)	CO1	BL3

a	b	c	d			
<b>Strong Inductive (+I) effect</b>	<b>Resonance effect (+R)</b>	<b>Resonance effect (-R) And -ve inductive effect</b>	<b>Less Inductive and less Hyper conjugation</b>			