Chapter 15

Polymers

Very Short Answer Type Questions

- **01.** How are polymers classified based on the structure?
- **02.** Explain the difference between Buna-N and Buna-S.
- **03.** What are natural and synthetic polymers? Give two examples of each type.
- **04.** Distinguish between the terms homopolymer and copolymer and give an example of each.
- **05.** How do you explain in terms of the functionality of a monomer?
- **06.** Define the term polymerization.
- **07.** Is $[NH-CHR-CO]_a$ it a homopolymer or a copolymer?
- **08.** How can you differentiate between addition and condensation polymerization?
- **09.** Define thermoplastics and thermosetting polymers with two examples of each.
- 10. Write the monomers used for getting the following polymers.
 - (i) Polyvinyl chloride
- (ii)Teflon

- (iii) Bakelite
- **11.** Write the name and structure of one of the common initiators used in free radical addition polymerization.
- **12.** How does the presence of a double bond in rubber molecules influence their structure and reactivity?
- 13. Discuss the main purpose of vulcanization.
- 14. What are the monomer's repeating units of Nylon-6 and Nylon-6,6?
- **15.** What is a biodegradable polymer? Give an example of a biodegradable aliphatic polyester.
- **16.** Classify the following as addition polymers and condensation polymers? Nylon 6, PVC, Neoprene and Bakelite
- **17.** Give an example of a step-growth polymer.
- **18.** Name a polymer used to make cups for hot drinks.
- **19.** Write the name and structure of the monomer of polymer: PVC.
- **20.** Give an example of elastomers.
- **21.** What is the primary feature necessary for a molecule to make it useful in a condensation polymerization reaction?

- **22.** What does the designation '6, 6' mean in the name nylon -6, 6?
- **23.** How are Buna-S and Terylenesynthesized? Give chemical equations.
- **24.** Write the equations for the synthesis of (i) Neoprene and (ii) Glyptal. Which one of the two is a condensation polymer?
- **25.** How is nylon-6, synthesized? Write the chemical equation for the reaction involved.
- **26.** Explain the following processes with a suitable example in each case :
 - (i) Chain-growth polymerization
 - (ii) Step-growth polymerization.
- 27. What is the difference between Elastomers and fiber? Illustrate with an example of each.
- **28.** Write equation to form (i) Nylon-6 (ii) Nylon-6,6.
- 29. How is Bakelite made and what is its major use? Why is Bakelite a thermosetting polymer?
- 30. Can a copolymer be formed in both addition and condensation polymerization? Explain with example.

