- (b) Explain the coil spring construction in suspension system. Discuss its advantages and limitations.
- (c) Discuss the construction and characteristics of single leaf spring.

Unit IV

- 7. What is steering error curve, and what is its significance in steering system design. Further derive the equation for true rolling motion of all the wheels of a vehicle fitted with (i) Ackerman's mechanism, (ii) Davis mechanism.
- 8. An automobile engine develops 33.75 kW at 1500 rpm and its bottom gear ratio is 3:6:1. If a propeller shaft of 40 mm outside diameter is to be used, determine the inside diameter of the shaft, assuming a safe shear stress of 56 N/mm². If the length is the propeller shaft is 1.54 m, find the critical speed of the shaft. Also ascertain whether the critical speed is sufficient to avoid whirling.

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AUTOMOTIVE CHASSIS DESIGN

Time: 3 Hours] [Maximum Marks: 75

Before answering the question-paper candidates should ensure that they have been supplied to correct and complete question-paper. No complaint, in this regard, will be entertained after the examination.

Note: Attempt *Five* questions in all, selecting at least *one* question from each Section. All questions carry equal marks.

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Unit I

- Explain in detail design of single plate and multiplate clutch with neat sketches.
- 2. (a) Why is a cone clutch more effective than plate clutch?
 - (b) A torque of 350 Nm is transmitted through a cone clutch having a mean diameter of 300 mm and a semi-cone angle of 15 deg. The maximum normal pressure at the mean radius is 150 kN/m². The coefficient of friction is 0.3. Calculate the width of the contact surface. Also find the axial force to engage the clutch.

Unit II

- 3. Write short notes on the following: 5+10
 - (a) Traction and Tractive Effort
 - (b) Design of three speed gear box.
- **4.** Determine the gear ratios of a four speed gear box for a vehicle of weight 13341.6 N powered by an engine given 20.6 kW at 1800 rpm. The

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vehicle has a frontal area of 2.23 m² and has a wheel diameter of 0.71 m. The maximum gradient that the car has to negotiate is 1 in 4. The tractive resistance may be taken as 50N per 2240N of the car. The wind resistance is given 0.03679AV², where A is the frontal area in m2 and V is the vehicle speed in Km/hr. Assume that the transmission efficiency is 0.75 and that at top gear, the car is expected to go over a grade of 1 in 40. State any other assumptions you make.

Unit III

- 5. (a) What are the various stresses acting on frame members?
 - (b) Explain how the torsional stiffness and bending rigidity of ladder type vehicle frame may be tested in the laboratory. Supplement your answer with sketches of the test-set-up.
- **6.** (a) Discuss arrangement and working of torsion bar with neat sketch. Give its application.

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