

## **OPR752 PROCESSING OF POLYMER AND COMPOSITES**

### DETAILED SYLLABUS

#### **OBJECTIVES**

To understand the characteristics of different reinforcement matrix materials

- To develop composite materials for different application.
- To know the different process used for polymer matrix composites, metal matrix composites and ceramics matrix composites

#### **UNIT I INTRODUCTION**

Classification of polymers – properties and applications of selective engineering polymers – fundamentals of composites – need for composites – enhancement of properties – classification of composites – matrix polymer matrix composites (PMC), metal matrix composites (MMC), Ceramic matrix composites (CMC) reinforcement – particle reinforced composites, fibre reinforced composites, applications of various types of composites.

#### **UNIT II POLYMER MATRIX COMPOSITES**

Polymer matrix resins – thermosetting resins, thermoplastic resins – reinforcement fibres – rovings – woven fabrics – non woven random mats – various types of fibres, PMC processes – hand layup processes – spray layup processes – compression moulding – reinforced reaction injection moulding – resin transfer moulding – pultrusion – filament winding – injection moulding fibre reinforced plastics (FRP) (Glass fibre reinforced plastics (GRP)).

#### **UNIT III METAL MATRIX COMPOSITES**

Characteristics of MMC, various types of metal matrix composites alloy vs. MMC, advantages of MMC limitations of MMC – Metal matrix – reinforcements – particles – fibres. Effect of reinforcement – volume fraction – Rule of mixtures, processing of MMC – Powder metallurgy process diffusion bonding – stir casting squeeze casting.

#### **UNIT IV CERAMICS MATRIX COMPOSITES**

Engineering ceramic materials – properties – advantages – limitations – Monolithic ceramics – Need for CMC – Ceramic matrix – various types of ceramic matrix composites – oxide ceramics – non oxide ceramics – aluminium oxide – silicon nitride – reinforcements – particles – fibres – whiskers. Sintering- Hot pressing – Cold isostatic pressing (CIPing) – Hot isostatic pressing (HIPing).

### **UNIT V ADVANCES IN POLYMERS & COMPOSITES**

Carbon/carbon composites – advantages of carbon matrix – limitations of carbon matrix carbon fibre – chemical vapour deposition of carbon-on-carbon fibre perform. Solgel technique. Composites for aerospace industrial applications.

#### **OUTCOMES**

- Ability to select suitable matrix, reinforce materials for polymer matrix composites, metal matrix composites and ceramics matrix composites

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