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### Facts at a Glance

#### **Important Information about Solar System**

1. Largest planet – J upiter
2. Smallest planet – Former Pinto present Mercury
3. Planet nearest to sun – Mercury
4. Planet farthest from sun – Former Pluto Present Neptune
5. Planet nearest to earth – Venus
6. Brightest planet – Venus
7. Brightest star – Dogstar
8. Planet that has no satellite – Mercury and Venus
9. Planet with largest number of satellites – J upiter
10. Heaviest planet – J upiter
11. Coldest planet – Former Pluto Present Uranus  
(Min. temp. –  $216^{\circ}\text{C}$  and that of Neptune –  $214^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
12. The Red planet – Mars
13. Satellite of earth – moon

#### **Mechanics and General Properties of Matter**

- Light year is the unit of distance. One light year =  $9.46 \times 10^{12}$  km.
- Astronomical Unit (AU) is equal to the average distance between the sun and earth. It is  $1.496 \times 10^8$  km.
- Parsec is the unit of distance and  $1 \text{ parsec} = 3 \times 10^{16}$  m
- Oil rises due to capillary action in the wick of a lamp. It happens due to surface tension.
- Planck's constant and angular momentum have the same units.
- In a uniform circular motion there is a change in both amplitude and velocity but the speed remains constant.
- The atmospheric pressure at sea level is 1 bar.
- An instrument that marks the changes in the atmospheric pressure, in a certain time interval, on the paper is called Barograph.
- Manometer is an instrument that measures the pressure of a gas.
- Retro rockets are used to reduce the speed of a spaceship.
- Vikram Sarabhai space Centre is in Trivandrum.
- Neil Armstrong was the first person to land on moon.
- Lunic-II was the first space ship to land on moon.
- The average density of earth is  $5.5 \text{ cm}^3$
- The weight of an object increases on taking it from the equator towards the pole at sea level.
- Raindrops are spherical due to surface tension.
- Nuclear radii are measured in Fermi       $1 \text{ fermi} = 10^{-15} \text{ m}$
- The speed of a ship is measured in naut.       $1 \text{ naut} = 1852 \text{ m/hr}$
- Mercury is a liquid. It is also known as quick silver. It is used in thermometer, barometer, manometer and other instruments.
- The path of the Halley's comet is elliptical.
- Indian Institute of Astrophysics is in Kodai canal (TamilNadu).
- Halley's comet is seen after 76 years.
- India's first satellite was launched from the Russia's cosmodrome.



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Length of days and nights are always equal at the equator.

- National Science Day is celebrated on 28 February. This day is celebrated because the discovery of „Raman effect“ by C.V. Raman became known to the world on this day.
- Sir C.V. Raman was awarded with Nobel Prize in 1930.
- There is no force of attraction between the molecules of an ideal gas and hence, no energy change takes place on increase in its volume.
- Goniometer is used to measure the angle of the crystal.
- Purity of milk is measured by lactometer.
- There is no change in the level of water due to the melting of ice in it.
- Solar eclipse takes place when moon comes between the earth and the sun.
- Lunar eclipse takes place due to the coming of earth between the sun and the moon.
- Intensity of an earthquake is measured by Richter's scale.
- An earthquake is detected by seismograph.
- Fathom is the unit for measuring depth.
- Greenwich time lags behind Indian Standard Time by 5 ½ hours.
- There is no change in the mercury level when the radius of the tube in the barometer is increased.
- Pascal is the unit of pressure.  $1 \text{ pascal} = 1 \text{ newton/m}^2$
- Flow of fluids is measured in cusec which is equal to 1 cubic foot/ sec.
- $1 \text{ cusec} = 0.28317 \text{ m}^3/\text{sec}$ .
- Electrons are present in all substances.
- Water contracts on heating from  $0^\circ\text{C}$  to  $4^\circ\text{C}$ .
- The time period of a second's pendulum is 2 seconds.
- A sudden fall in the barometer reading indicates a storm.
- If the barometer reading gradually falls it indicates rainfall.
- Ozone layer in atmosphere absorbs ultraviolet rays.
- Anemometer measures the speed of air.
- Altimeter is used to measure the height of planes.
- Speed of air planes (or motor boats) is measured by Tachometer.
- Periscope is used to see the objects outside the submarine.
- Clouds float in air due to the viscosity of air and their low density.
- The coefficient of viscosity is measured in poise.
- Viscosity of gases increases with temperature.
- Soap decreases the surface tension of solution hence clothes get cleansed.
- Needle floats on water due to surface tension.
- The attractive force acting between the molecules of the same substance is called cohesive force.
- The attractive force acting between the molecules of different substances is called adhesive force.
- Rocket propulsion is based on the conservation of linear momentum.
- As a space traveler in a spaceship revolving around earth feels weightlessness because the gravitational force acting on the ship is used in providing it the necessary centripetal force.



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- The moment of inertia in rotational motion plays the same role as the mass does in translational motion.
- Color of stars exhibits their temperature.
- The product of mass and velocity of a body is called its momentum.
- If a force is acting for a small duration, then the product of force and time is called impulse.
- The rate of change of impulse is equal to the force applied.
- Relative density is measured by hydrometer.
- When milk is skimmed, cream separates out due to the centripetal force.
- If a hollow pipe passes across the center of gravity of the earth and a ball is dropped in the pipe, the ball will execute SHM to and fro about the center of the earth.
- The periodic time of revolution around the earth of a communication satellite is 24 hours.
- The value of bulk modulus for an incompressible liquid is infinite.
- The viscous force limits the speed of the body falling in a liquid and it attains a constant velocity called the terminal velocity.
- The order of the layers of atmosphere on moving up from the earth's surface is troposphere, stratosphere, ozonosphere, ionosphere, exosphere.
- $1 \text{ picogram} = 10^{-12} \text{ gram}$ .
- When a lift is moving up then weight of a person standing in it increases.
- If a lift is falling freely the weight of a person becomes zero.
- The weight of a body at poles is maximum.
- The weight of a body at the center of the earth is zero.
- If the velocity of a body is doubled its kinetic energy becomes 4 times.
- The average density of earth is about  $5.5 \text{ gm/cm}^3$ .
- The frequency of oscillation of a simple pendulum decreases when it is taken on moon.
- A floating iceberg instead of melting from the upper surface melts at the base because due to the higher pressure at the bottom surface the melting point decreases.
- When speed of a car is doubled four times brake pressure has to be applied for stopping it.
- Both impulse and momentum have the same dimensional formula.
- On doubling the radius of a capillary tube the ascent of water in it becomes half.
- Velocities of the raindrops of different sizes are different.
- A pendulum clock becomes fast in winters.
- Brass is an alloy of copper and zinc.
- Man-made satellites are established in the thermosphere (external atmosphere).
- Stainless steel is an alloy of iron, nickel and chromium.
- The velocity of escape from earth's gravitation into space is  $11.2 \text{ km/sec}$ .
- A feather and a piece of lead fall freely with the same velocity in vacuum.
- Mass is a scalar quantity but weight is a vector quantity.
- A body falling in a fluid acquires velocity due to the viscosity of the fluid.
- Bernoulli's theorem is based on energy conservation.



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- There is no atmosphere at moon because the rms velocity of gas molecules is greater than the escape velocity.
- Density remains unchanged on changing the amount of substance.
- The speed of revolution of earth around the sun is maximum when earth is nearest to the sun.
- Pure gold is of 24 carats.
- Detergents decrease the surface tension of water due to which dirt and oil are easily removed from the clothes.
- Parsec is a unit for measuring the distances of stars. 1 parsec = 3.25 light years.
- Most of the weather disturbances take place in troposphere.
- The study of friction and lubricants is done in Tribology.
- A glass can be scratched by diamond or hydrofluoric acid.
- For the dilution of sulphuric acid, acid is mixed in water and not water in acid.
- F. Hile suggested that evolution of earth took place from gas and dust particles.
- The extent of pollution of water in rivers is measured by the amount of oxygen dissolved in it.
- A truck, car or motor cycle moving with the same kinetic energy will stop at the same distance on the application of brakes.
- The tendency of a liquid droplet to occupy the minimum surface area is due to surface tension.
- Silver iodide is used for bringing artificial rain.
- Diamond is an allotropic form of carbon.
- Rocket works on the principle of conservation of momentum.
- A solid iron ball floats on the surface of mercury because the relative density of iron.
- The cause of the spreading of a drop of water on a glass plate is that cohesive force is lesser than the adhesive force.
- Barometer was invented by Toricelli.
- Theory of relativity was put forward by Einstein.
- Air consists of maximum amount of nitrogen.
- Atmospheric pressure is measured by Barometer.
- Steel is more elastic than rubber.
- Purity of milk is tested by lactometer by measuring the density of milk.
- The surface tension of a liquid is due to the cohesive force between its molecules.
- The cause of atmospheric pressure on earth is the gravitational attraction.
- The increase in barometer reading indicates fair weather.
- The SI unit of work is joule.
- The pressure inside a soap bubble is greater than the atmospheric pressure.
- An iron needle floats on mercury but gets drowned in water because the density of iron is less than the density of mercury but greater than the density of water.
- Oil spreads on the surface of water because the surface tension of oil is less than the surface tension of water.

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- It is difficult to walk on ice than on road because the frictional force on ice is less than on road.
- Pendulum clocks become slow in summers because the length of the pendulum increases with increase in temperature, due to which the time period increases.

### HEAT

- The maximum portion of solar energy obtained by earth is in the form of infrared and thermal energy.
- 100°C is equivalent to 212°F and 373K.
- Bolometer is an instrument that detects the presence of infrared rays.
- The boiling point of a liquid increases with an increase in pressure.
- Skating on ice is possible due to regelation.
- There is no exchange of heat energy in an adiabatic process.
- Temperature remains constant in an isothermal process.
- 1 calorie heat is equivalent to 4.2 J of work.
- The process taking place at constant volume is called isochoric process.
- The specific heat in an isothermal process is infinite.
- $C_p - C_v = R$  is called Mayer's formula.
- -40°C and -40°F exhibit the same temperature.
- $T_k = t^\circ C + 273$
- Total Radiation Pyrometer is based on Stefan's law.
- There is the following relation between the various scales of temperature –  

$$\frac{C}{5} = \frac{F - 32}{9} = \frac{K - 273}{5}$$
- In a platinum thermometer  $R_t = R_0(1 + \alpha t)$  in which  $\alpha$  is the temperature resistance coefficient of platinum.
- The isothermal modulus of elasticity of an ideal gas is equal to its pressure.
- The ratio of the elasticity of an ideal gas is equal to the ratio of its specific heats.
- The adiabatic modulus of elasticity of an ideal gas is  $\gamma$  times its pressure.
- The transmission of heat by radiation does not require any material medium.
- Hydrometer is used to measure the relative humidity.
- Absolute humidity increases with an increase in temperature and relative humidity decreases.
- The temperature of a glowing bulb is between 2000°C to 2500°C.
- The study of very low temperatures is called Cryogenics.
- Alcohol is opted as a thermometric liquid in cold countries instead of mercury because its freezing point is quite less.
- Radiations from the earth heat the atmosphere.
- In the absence of atmosphere there had been large variation between the temperatures of day and night.
- A thermostat keeps the temperature of a body constant.
- The volume of a fixed amount of a gas at constant pressure is directly proportional to its absolute temperature.
- Change of state is an isothermal process. Its specific heat is infinite.
- Specific heat in adiabatic change is zero.
- $C_p$  is greater than  $C_v$  for gases.



- There is no negative temperature on Kelvins scale.
- Cryogenics is used in spacecraft, surgery and magnetic levitation.
- At  $-40^{\circ}$  the reading on the Celsius and Fahrenheit scale is the same.
- Pyrometer is used to measure high temperatures.
- Sir C.V. Raman was honoured with the Nobel Prize in 1930 for the discovery of Raman effect.
- The density of water is maximum at  $4^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Absolute zero temperature ( $-273.15^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) is considered to be the lowest possible temperature.
- Relative humidity is the ratio of the amount of water vapour present in air at that temperature.
- Density of solids generally decreases on melting.
- The size of a metal ring increases on being heated.
- The boiling point of water increases when salt is mixed in it.
- Carbon dioxide gas produces greenhouse effect.
- If the surface of a hot body is black and rough then it radiates heat rapidly.
- If water is heated from  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$  then its volume first decreases, becomes minimum at  $4^{\circ}\text{C}$  and then starts increasing.
- If water is heated from  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $10^{\circ}\text{C}$  then its density first increases, becomes maximum at  $4^{\circ}\text{C}$  and then starts decreasing.
- The efficiency of an ideal heat engine is determined by the relation:  $\eta = 1 - T_2/T_1$  ( $T_1 > T_2$ ).
- Critical temperature is the temperature below which a gas can be liquefied on increasing the pressure.
- Air conditioner controls temperature and relative humidity.
- Heat engine converts heat into mechanical energy.
- If an opened refrigerator is kept in a closed room then the temperature of the room increases.
- Heat is transmitted by conduction, convection and radiation.
- Temperature of sun is measured by pyrometer.
- The specific heat of water is  $1.0 \text{ cal/gm}^{\circ}\text{C}$ .
- A thermos flask prevents the heat loss by conduction, convection and radiation.
- In a refrigerator the thermostat regulates the temperature.
- Volcano is called the "safety valve" of nature.
- When two metal strips are heated on riveting the metal with greater expansion bends such that it remains outside while the metal which expands less remains inside.
- In cold countries, glycerol is mixed with water in car radiators due to which freezing point of water is lowered.
- While skating on ice the melting point of ice lowers due to pressure.
- When iron and wood are kept in sun then iron becomes more hot because it is a good conductor of heat.
- Hand pump water is warm in winters because in winters the underground temperature is more than the atmospheric temperature.



- Two thin blankets give more warmth in winters in comparison to one thick blanket because there is a layer of air between the two thin blankets which is a bad conductor of heat and hence prevents the loss of heat from within.
- Dark clothes are heat absorbers whereas white clothes are heat reflectors.
- Thermal energy is more largely produced in India in comparison to other forms of energy.
- The ice melts very slowly because of its high latent heat.
- Ice-cream has a more cooling effect on teeth than chilled water because while melting the ice cream takes sufficient heat (equal to its latent heat) from the teeth.
- The work done in rubbing hands converts into heat which makes our hands warm.
- Ammonia gas is used as a coolant in refrigerators.
- Calorie is the unit of measuring heat.
- The atmospheric temperature increases due to the increase in the amount of carbon dioxide because it absorbs the infrared radiations from space.
- The bulb of a thermometer is made long and cylindrical instead of making it spherical because the surface area of the cylindrical surface is greater than that of a spherical surface hence more surface area of the bulb comes in contact with the temperature to be measured which results in a fast response to the changes in temperature.
- Snow is a better insulator than ice because snow has air filled in its pores which is a bad conductor of heat.
- The thermal conductivity of an ideal insulator is zero and that of an ideal conductor is infinite.
- The blanket which keeps us warm in winter, prevents the ice from melting because air fills up the space between the fibers of the blanket which is an insulator.
- Inert gases such as argon, neon etc, are filled in electric bulbs instead of vacuum because if there is vacuum then the heat produced on burning the filament may increase the temperature of filament to the extent that it melts but if inert gases are filled the heat of the filament spreads by the convection currents preventing the filament temperature to rise up.

### SOUND

- Sound travels from one point to another in the form of waves.
- Sound waves are longitudinal in nature.
- Sound waves cannot be polarized.
- Sound waves require a material medium to travel.
- A microphone converts sound energy into electrical energy.
- Loudspeaker converts electrical energy into sound energy.
- Decibel is the unit of measuring sound.
- In water, sound is recorded by the help of a hydrophone.
- Bells are made of metals because of the elasticity of metals.
- There is no effect of pressure on the velocity of the sound if the temperature is kept constant.
- Speed of sound increases with an increase in temperature.
- Speed of sound increases with the increase in humidity of air.

- The speed of sound in a gas is proportional to the square of its absolute temperature.
- The speed of sound in air increases by 0.61 m/s by the increase of 1°C temperature.
- The speed of sound is higher in rain than in summer.
- The unit of frequency is hertz.
- Sound waves exhibit interference.
- Nodes and antinodes are formed in stationary waves.
- The difference between a node and an antinode is  $\lambda/4$
- The difference between two consecutive nodes (or antinodes) is  $\lambda/2$
- Whenever there is relative motion between the source of sound and the listener, the actual frequency (or pitch) of the source of sound appears to be changed to the listener. This apparent change in frequency is called the Doppler's effect.
- Doppler's effect is related with the change in frequency of sound and not its intensity.
- Doppler's effect is also applicable on light waves.
- If a light source is receding away from the observer on earth, then the frequency of light will appear to be decreased (or wave length increased) to the observer. Due to this, the spectral lines appear to displace towards the red end of the spectrum. This is called the „recessional redshift.“
- If a light source is coming towards the observer on earth, the frequency of light will appear to be increased (i.e. wavelength decreased) to the observer due to which the spectral lines will appear to displace towards the violet end of the spectrum.
- In supersonic motions, the speed of an object is expressed relative to the speed of sound. Their ratio is called in mach number.  

$$\text{Mach number} = \frac{\text{Speed of object}}{\text{Speed of sound}}$$
 Mach number is greater than 1 for supersonic motions.  
 Mach number is used to express the motion of jet planes or rockets.
- Echo is produced by the reflection of sound.
- When two sound sources of approximately same frequencies produce sound then beats are heard.
- The number of beats per second is equal to the difference in frequencies per second of the sound sources.
- The frequency of the sound produced by the supersonic planes is beyond the audible region.
- The quality of the same note produced from two different musical instruments is different.
- Hydrophone records sound in seawater.
- Megaphone spreads sound to far off places.
- Sound waves cannot travel in vacuum.
- Tape of a tape recorder is coated with a thin layer of iron oxide. It is a magnetic substance.
- If the original frequency of an open pipe is  $n$ , then the frequency of the pipe closed at one end remains  $n/2$ .





- If the light emitted from a star is found to be redder than the sun light then it means that the star is receding away from the earth.
- The sound from a piano or a guitar can be distinguished on the basis of its quality.
- Sonar is used for communication and ranging beneath the surface of the ocean.
- The speed of sound in air at room temperature is 330 m/s.
- Pitch of sound is determined by its frequency.
- On reflection of a wave from a surface there is no change in its velocity, wavelength and frequency.
- The speed of sound is measured in decibels.
- All particles between the two successive nodes vibrate in the same phase.
- The phase of vibration of the particles on one side of a node is opposite from the phase of vibration of the particles on the other side.
- Sonar works on the reflection of sound waves.
- Audible frequency range of sound is from 20 to 20000 hertz.
- When sound travels from one medium to another then its frequency remains unchanged but its speed, amplitude and intensity change.
- The amplitude of a wave does not depend upon its velocity, wavelength or frequency.
- The intensity of sound increases with the increase in density of the medium.
- In a telephone receiver electrical energy converts into sound energy.
- In a microphone sound energy converts into electrical energy.
- The phase difference between the particles on either side of a node at a same distance is  $\pi$ .
- The sound of supersonic planes is not heard on earth because the velocity of a supersonic plane is either equal to or more than the velocity of sound. Hence its frequency is outside the audibility range.

### LIGHT

- Light waves are electromagnetic in nature.
- Material medium is not necessary for the transmission of light waves.
- Light waves are transverse.
- Light waves exhibit polarization.
- The blue colour of sky is due to scattering of light.
- Velocity of light, amplitude and wavelength changes in refraction of light but frequency remains unchanged.
- A rod kept in the bucket of water appears to be bent because of refraction.
- A pond appears to be lesser in depth due to refraction.
- The refractive index of water w.r.t. air is  $\mu_{w/a} = 4/3$  and refractive index of glass w.r.t. air is  $\mu_{g/a} = 3/2$ .
- Refractive index of glass w.r.t. water is  $\mu_{g/w} = \mu_{g/a} / \mu_{w/a}$
- Formation of a mirage is an optical illusion which takes place due to total internal reflection of light.
- Myopia is short sightedness and Hypermetropia is long sightedness.
- In myopia a person can see the near objects clearly but he can't clearly see the far objects.



- In hypermetropia a person can see the distant objects clearly but he can't clearly see the near objects.
- In myopia the rays get focused in front of retina and in hypermetropia they are focused behind the retina.
- Myopia is corrected by the use of concave lens and hypermetropia is corrected by using convex lens.
- In reading lens a convex lens of short focal length is used.
- A driver uses convex mirror for seeing the traffic at the back.
- If a lens is dipped in such a medium whose refractive index is greater than the refractive index of the material of lens then along with the change in focal length of the lens its nature also changes that is convex lens behaves as concave and concave lens behaves as convex.
- In astigmatism a person cannot distinctly see the horizontal and vertical lines simultaneously at a normal distance.
- Black colour is actually the absence of all colours.
- Refractive index of red light is less than the refractive index for violet light.
- Light travels faster in vacuum than in air.
- A polished diamond due to its high refractive index shines by total internal reflection.
- Colour of stars exhibits their temperature.
- There is redistribution of energy in the interference pattern. Total energy in it remains conserved.
- The unit of luminous intensity is candela.
- Foot is the unit of illuminance  $1 \text{ foot} = 10^4 \text{ lux}$
- The formula for critical angle is  $\sin C = 1/u$
- The power of a lens is measured in diopters.
- Resolving power of telescope is  $1.22 / D$ .  $D$  is the diameter of the objective lens.
- Polarisation of light proves its transverse wave nature.
- Longitudinal waves cannot be polarized.
- Gamma rays, X-rays, ultraviolet rays, infra-red rays and radio waves are all electromagnetic radiations.
- Sextant measures the angle formed by an object with the eye.
- Infinite images of an object are formed that is placed between two parallel mirrors.
- The number of images formed if the angle between the two mirrors is  $(360 / \theta - 1)$
- Periscope is used to see the objects outside a submarine.
- The colours in thin films of soap bubbles are seen due to scattering of light.
- Various types of coloured designs may be seen by a kaleidoscope.
- We cannot determine whether an a.c. or a d.c. is flowing by just observing a glowing electric bulb.
- When a glass lens ( $\mu = 3/2$ ) is dipped in water ( $\mu = 4/3$ ) its focal length becomes four times of its focal length in air.
- The speed of light is  $3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$  which is equivalent to  $18.6 \times 10^4 \text{ miles/sec}$
- Lux is the unit of illuminance.  $1 \text{ lux} = 1 \text{ lumen/m}^2$



- Lumen is the unit of luminous flux.
- Sunlight consists of seven colours. The rays whose frequency is less than the frequency of red colour are called ultraviolet rays and the rays whose frequency of violet colour are called ultraviolet rays. Both types of rays are invisible. Infrared rays are not only emitted from sun but also from every hot object.
- Some objects absorb light of a definite colour and emit rays of some other colour. For example, calcium fluoride absorbs violet rays and emits blue rays. This phenomenon is called fluorescence.
- Some objects emit light even on being removed from the presence of a light source (Sun). This phenomenon is called phosphorescence. Calcium sulphide exhibits this property.
- Electromagnetic radiations whose wavelength lies in the range of 400 nm to 700 nm are visible. This is the wavelength range of the visible region in spectrum.
- Homer (1876) first explained the colour blindness.
- A coin inside a bucket of water appears to be nearer than its actual depth in water due to refraction.
- If a person standing in water sees a coin above the water surface the coin appears to be higher than its actual position.
- The focal length of a lens is maximum for red light and minimum for violet light.
- Three dimensional image is called hologram.
- Light radiation is both of wave and particle nature.
- Sun always rises in the east because earth rotates from west to east.
- If a transparent object becomes invisible on immersing in water, it implies that the refractive index of both water and the material of the object is same.
- When a light ray enters from air into glass. Its wavelength decreases.
- Objective lens is a convex lens of lesser focal length.
- Optical fiber was invented by T.H. Maiah.
- In India optical fiber is mainly used in telecommunication.
- Optical fiber is also used in endoscopy.
- Diamonds sparkle due to its high refractive index.
- If the angle between two plane mirrors is  $75^\circ$  then five images ( $(360^\circ / 75 - 1)$ ) of an object placed between them can be formed.
- The unit of power of a lens is Dioptre.
- If a green colour tie is seen in the red light it appears black.
- Sky appears black to a space tourist.
- Cornea is donated in eye donation.
- Polarising angle for a glass plate of 1.54 refractive index is  $57^\circ$
- When a plane mirror is rotated by an angle  $\theta$  then the reflected ray rotates by an angle  $2\theta$ .
- The red colour of the setting sun is due to scattering of light.
- Astigmatism can be corrected by the use of a cylindrical lens.
- The sea water appears blue in colour due to sky's reflection and light scattering by water particles.
- Mirage formation takes place by total internal reflection.



- The speed of flight is 1,86,000 miles / sec.
- Human eye contains convex lens.
- A erect image of the same size as the object may be seen only by a plane mirror.
- The critical angle of diamond is  $24.4^\circ$
- Light rays in the human eye convert into neural impulses.
- Raman effect is related with the scattering of light.
- Erect and virtual images are always formed by plane and convex mirror.
- Optical fiber is based on the principle of total internal reflection.
- For a normally incident ray the angle of incidence is zero hence the angles of reflection and refraction for it are also zero.
- If  $n_U = 4/3$  then  $n_A = 3/4$
- $n_U = n_A / n_U$
- Endoscopy, a technique used for the testing of the internal organs of the body and stomach, is based on the phenomenon of total internal reflection.
- Erect and diminished image is seen by a convex mirror.
- A convex mirror is fitted at the side of a driver to see the images of the vehicles at the back.
- Since the red colour is less scattered hence a red signal may be seen from along distance.
- National Science Day is celebrated on 28 February (In the memory of the discovery of Raman effect by Sir C.V. Raman).
- A rare solar eclipse in 1999 was observed on 16 February.
- When light falls on an object at polarizing angle then reflected and refracted rays are mutually perpendicular.
- An air bubble in water acts as a concave lens.
- Hypo i.e. sodium thio-sulphate solution is used for fixing in photography.
- The colour of an opaque object is due to the colour of light reflected by it.
- The image of the object formed on retina is small and inverted.
- The power of spectacles is zero.
- Infinite images of an object are formed that is placed between two parallel mirrors.
- If the atmosphere is absent sky would appear to be black.
- The order of the colour of the rainbow is violet, Indigo Blue, Green, Yellow, Orange and Red.

### ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM

- The unit of charge is coulomb.
- The number of electrons in 1 coulomb charge is  $6.25 \times 10^{18}$ .
- Unit ampere-second is equivalent to coulomb.
- The magnetic effect of electric current was discovered by Oersted.
- Only d.c. current can be measured by a Weston Ammeter.
- The resistance of an ammeter is very low and that of voltmeter is very high.
- The potential difference in volts between two points in an electrical circuit is measured by a voltmeter.
- Voltmeter is a vessel in which electrolysis takes place.



- By connecting a wire of low resistance (shunt) in parallel with a galvanometer, it is converted into an ammeter.
- When a wire of high resistance is connected in series with a galvanometer it gets converted into a voltmeter.
- Ammeter is always connected in series with the electrical circuit.
- The resistance of an ideal ammeter is zero.
- A voltmeter is always connected in series in an electrical circuit.
- The resistance of an ideal voltmeter is infinite.
- Electron volt (eV) is the unit of energy.
- $1\text{eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}\text{Joule}$ .
- Watt is the unit of Power.
- $\text{Watt} = \text{volt} \times \text{ampere} = \text{ampere}^2 \times \text{ohm} = \text{volt}^2 / \text{ohm}$
- Kilowatt hour (kWh) is the unit of electrical energy.
- $\text{Kilowatt hour} = (\text{volt} \times \text{ampere} \times \text{hour}) / 1000 = (\text{watt} \times \text{hour}) / 1000$
- $1\text{ kWh} = 3.6 \times 10^6 \text{joule}$
- The resistance of a low power (watt) bulb is high.
- The filament of an electric bulb is made of nichrome.
- Fuse wire is made of lead and tin.
- A transformer works on the principle of electromagnetic induction. It brings about a change in the potential of an alternating current.
- A step-up transformer changes a strong a.c. of low potential into a weak a.c. of high potential.
- A step-down transformer converts a high potential, weak alternating current into a weak potential, strong alternating current.
- Transformers work only with a.c.
- The transformation ratio of a step up transformer is always greater than 1.
- The unit of specific resistance is ohm-meter.
- Lead is used in a storage battery.
- A magnetic field does not interact with a static charge.
- Silver is the best conductor of electricity.
- Heating effect of current does not depend upon the direction of the current.
- It cannot be predicted that whether the current flowing through a glowing electric bulb is a.c. or d.c. by just seeing it.
- An a.c. is not used for electroplating.
- Soft iron is used for making electromagnets.
- Steel is used for making permanent magnets.
- A dynamo converts mechanical energy into electrical energy.
- An electric motor converts electrical energy into mechanical energy.
- The potential inside a charged hollow spherical conductor is constant.
- A dynamometer measures the power produced by an engine.
- A cell converts chemical energy into electrical energy.
- The core of a transformer is laminated to prevent the formation of eddy currents.
- Electrons in motion form electric current.
- The unit of capacitance is Farad.
- Lenz's law is based on the principle of energy conservation.



- Lenz's law states that the direction of the induced current produced in an electric circuit is such that it opposes the cause due to which it is produced.
- The unit of mutual induction is henry.
- The value of alternating current for a complete cycle is zero.
- $I_{rms} = I_0 / \sqrt{2} = 0.707 I_0$ , where  $I_0$  is the peak value of voltage.
- In a complete cycle, the square root of average value of square of alternating current is called the root mean square (rms) value of alternating current.
- $V_{rms} = V_0 / \sqrt{2} = 0.707 V_0$ , where  $V_0$  is the peak value of voltage.
- If ohmic resistance in an a.c. circuit is zero then during the passage of electric current through the circuit, the average power is zero that is, energy is not consumed. This current is called wattless current. Practically, it is impossible to make the ohmic resistance zero.
- The inductance (L) of a choke coil is very high and its resistance (R) is very less. Choke coil is used in an a.c. circuit. The energy loss in it is negligible.
- Thermistor is a non-ohmic circuit.
- The resonant frequency in a parallel resonant circuit is  $f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$
- Electrical energy is transferred from one place to another in the form of high voltage a.c.
- If Q coulomb charge is taken from one point to the other at V volt then  $W = V \times Q$  work has to be done.
- The relative permittivity of a substance is always greater than 1.
- In electric bulbs a filament of high resistance and high melting point, like tungsten wire is used.
- Nitrogen or an inert gas is filled in electric bulbs.
- The potential of a motor car battery is 12 Volt.
- Chemical energy is stored in a storage cell.
- The specific resistance of a conductor depends upon its substance and temperature.
- The electrolyte used in car batteries is dilute sulphuric acid.
- German silver is an alloy of copper, zinc and nickel.
- $1 \text{ kWh} = 3.6 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$  (or  $3.6 \times 10^3 \text{ kJ}$ )
- A.C. is not suitable for charging a strong battery.
- If a metal experiences a feeble repulsion by a magnet then it is called diamagnetic.
- If on observing a coil from its surface the current is flowing towards south in it then that end of the coil is called the south pole.
- The resistance of carbon, silicon and germanium decreases with an increase in temperature.
- Oxygen, aluminum and platinum are paramagnetic substances.
- Lenz's law is based on energy conservation.
- Transformer is used for stepping up or stepping down the a.c. voltage.
- The Thermal Coefficient of resistance of constantan and manganin is almost negligible.
- Dry cell is a primary cell. It converts chemical energy into electrical energy.
- Cadmium cell is called the standard cell.
- The frequency of a.c. mains is 50 c/s.



- The resistance of mercury at 4K is zero.
- The function of a fuse in an electrical circuit is the prevention of the damage of electrical instruments.
- The amount of electricity that deposits 108 gm of silver at the cathode is called 1 Faraday.
- 1 faraday = 96500 coulomb/gm – equivalent =  $9.65 \times 10^7$  colomb/Kgequiv.
- Copper is used in making electrical wires because it contains large number of free electrons
- Even on having the same power an illuminations tube gives more light than an electric bulb because the illumination substance in the tube converts the u.v.radiations into visible light
- 1 kilo watt = 1.34 horsepower
- Electrical energy is transferred from one place to another at high a.c. Voltage because there is minimum energy loss init.

#### Electron and modern Physics

- Electron was discovered by sir J. J. Thompson
- An Electron has  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  coulomb negative charge
- Cathode rays consist of moving electrons
- For an electron  $e/m = 1.76 \times 10^{11}$  coulomb/kg
- Mass of an electron  $m = 9.1 \times 10^{-31}$  Kg
- Isotopes are the elements with same atomic number but different mass number. Like  ${}^1\text{H}_1, {}^2\text{H}_1, {}^3\text{H}_1$
- Elements whose nucleons is of same number of nucleons but different number of protons and neutrons are called isobars. Like –  ${}^3_1\text{H}$  and  ${}^3_2\text{He}$ ,  ${}^{14}_6\text{C}$  and  ${}^{14}_7\text{N}$ ,  ${}^{17}_8\text{O}$  and  ${}^{17}_9\text{F}$
- When a  $\alpha$  particle is emitted from a radioactive nucleus the obtained nucleus is an isobar of the original one
- The elements which have different atomic number (Z) and mass number (A) but have same number of neutrons are called isotones like  ${}^7_3\text{Li}$ ,  ${}^8_4\text{Be}$
- A diode valve act as rectifier
- A triode valve consists of three electrodes anode, cathode and grid
- A triode valve is used as an amplifier
- The relation between the amplification factor ( $\mu$ ), internal resistance ( $r_p$ ) and mutual conductance ( $g_p$ ) of triode valve is  $\mu = r_p \times g_p$



- Voltage amplification of triode valves

$$A = \frac{\mu}{\frac{r_p}{R} + 1}$$

where R is the load resistance

- Germanium and silicon are the pure semiconductors
- A transistor is an electronic device of p and n type semiconductors which is used in place of a triode valve
- The invention of transistor (transfer resistor) was the most important electronics event of 20<sup>th</sup> century as it made possible the integrated circuit and microprocessor, basis of modern electronics
- Integrated circuit chips are made of silicon
- The Thermal emission of electrons from a metal surface is called thermionic emission
- The emission of electrons from a metal surface by the incidence of light radiations is called photoelectric effect
- The rate of emission of photoelectrons is directly proportional to the intensity of incident radiation
- The maximum energy of the photoelectrons increases with an increase in the frequency of incident light
- The minimum frequency of the incident light that can emit electrons from a metal surface is called the threshold frequency
- The photo - electric effect of light was explained by Einstein on the basis of quantum theory for which he was honoured with Nobel prize
- Einstein's photo-electric equation is  $\frac{1}{2} mv_{max}^2 = h(\nu - \nu_0)$
- Work function ( $\phi$ ) or threshold energy of a metal is that minimum energy which is required to bring a free electron from interior of the metal to its surface
- $\phi = h\nu_0$  where  $\nu_0$  is the threshold frequency
- Good absorbers are also good emitters
- The ratio of the emissive power ( $e$ ) to absorptive power ( $a$ ) for radiation of given wave length is the same for all bodies at the same temperature and is equal to the emissive power ( $e$ ) of perfectly black body at that temperature

$$\frac{e}{a} = E$$

- Stefan's law states that the total radiant energy emitted per second per unit surface area of a black body is proportional to the fourth power of the absolute temperature of the body  
 $E = T^4$  where  $\sigma$  is Stefan's constant
- The unit of  $\sigma$  is joule/ meter<sup>2</sup>second-K<sup>4</sup>) or watt/ (meter<sup>2</sup>.K<sup>4</sup>)
- According to Newton's Law of cooling, where hot body is cooled in air, the rate of loss of heat by the body is proportional to the temperature difference between the body and its surroundings.
- According to Wien's displacement law  $\lambda_m T = \text{constant} = 2.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{m-Kelvin}$





- According to Planck's hypothesis, the emission of radiation is not continuous but takes place in the form of small bundles or packets of definite amount of energy which are called quanta. These bundles are also called photons
- Energy of a photon  $E = h\nu = hc/\lambda$
- Rest mass of photon is zero
- Momentum of a photon  $p = h/\lambda = h\nu/c$
- Rutherford discovered that atom consists of nucleus in which the positive charge and (approximately) whole mass of an atom resides
- According to Bohr, electrons revolve round the nucleus only in those orbits for which their angular momentum is an integral multiple of  $h/2\pi$  i.e.  $mvr = nh/2\pi$
- Electrons do not emit any energy while revolving in these orbits
- When an electron transit from higher energy level ( $E_2$ ) to a lower energy level ( $E_1$ ) then energy ( $E_2 - E_1$ ) is evolved during transition in the form of monochromatic radiations. i.e.  $E_2 - E_1 = h\nu = hc/\lambda$  where  $h$  is the Planck's constant
- When an electron makes a transition from  $n_2$  to  $n_1$  energy level then the wavelength ( $\lambda$ ) of the emitted radiation is obtained by the relation

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = R \left( \frac{1}{n_1^2} - \frac{1}{n_2^2} \right)$$

Where,  $R$  is the Rydberg's constant whose value is  $1.097 \times 10^7$  per meter

- Hydrogen spectrum is classified into various spectral series. In which Lyman series lies in ultra - violet region, Balmer series lies in visible region and Paschen, Brackett and Pfund series lie in infrared region
- Fraunhofer lines are the black lines found in solar spectrum. These lines are formed by the absorption of characteristic wave lengths of sunlight by the vapors of several elements present in the interior region of the sun called chromosphere.
- Fluorescence is the phenomenon of light emission in which a substance on being illuminated by a high frequency light (blue ultraviolet) emit light of relatively low frequency as long as the substance is being illuminated.
- Phosphorescence is the phenomenon of light emission in which the substance continues to emit light for some time after the light incident on it is stopped
- X-rays are produced when fast moving cathode rays strike a metal piece of high atomic weight and high melting point like tungsten
- X-rays are emitted by the transition of electron from the inner energy levels of an atom
- The intensity of X-rays depends upon the number of electrons emitted per second from the filament. It is controlled by changing the potential difference applied between the ends of the tube
- The maximum frequency of the X-rays depends upon the accelerating potential  $V$ . It is given as  $\nu_{\max} = eV/h$ . The minimum wavelength corresponding the maximum frequency  $\nu_{\max}$  is  $\lambda_{\min} = c/\nu_{\max} = hc/eV$
- Radioactivity was discovered by Sir Henry Becquerel. In it there is a spontaneous emission of  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  rays from the nucleus of an atom
- $\alpha$  particles are doubly ionised helium atoms. They are represented as  ${}^2_2\text{He}^4$ .

They possess  $2 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  coulomb positive charge. The mass of an alpha particle is  $6.645 \times 10^{-27}$  Kg

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- particles are fast moving electrons. A particle has  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  coulomb negative charge
- Since the velocity of particles is of the order of the velocity of light their mass increases with increase in velocity. If the rest mass of a particle be  $m_0$ , and that in the state of velocity  $v$  be  $m$ , then according to Einstein's theory of relativity, we have  $m = m_0 / (1 - v^2/c^2)^{1/2}$
- rays are electromagnetic waves. The energy of photons is very large (of the order of million electron volt MeV). Hence, they have short wavelengths.
- The energy of a photon of energy 1 MeV ( $= 10^6$  eV) is about 0.01 Å
- Any radioactive element does not emit both and particles simultaneously. some elements emit particles while some elements emit particles
- rays are emitted with both and particles
- At any instant the rate of decay of radioactive atoms is proportional to the number of atoms present at that instant. it is represented by the following relation  $N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$  where  $\lambda$  is the decay constant
- The time interval in which the mass of a radioactive substance or the number of its atoms, is reduced to half its initial value is called the half life of that substance. It is given as  $T = 0.693 / \lambda$
- The number of atoms left after  $n$  half lives is given by  $N = N_0 (1/2)^n$
- The unit of radioactivity is curie. 1 curie =  $3.7 \times 10^{10}$  decays per second.
- The atomic number of element reduces by 2 and its mass number reduces by 4 by the emission of an  $\alpha$  particle
- Atomic number increase by 1 and mass number remains unchanged by the emission of a  $\beta^-$  particle
- By the emission of 1 positron from the nucleus the mass number (i.e. nucleons) remains the same but the number of neutrons is increased by 1 and the number of protons is decreased by 1
- Due to  $\gamma$  rays emission, there is no change in the atomic and mass number of the nucleus.
- Proton was discovered by Rutherford  
Charge =  $+ 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  coulomb  
Mass =  $1.673 \times 10^{-27}$  Kg
- Neutron was discovered by Chadwick. Its charge = 0 and its mass =  $1.675 \times 10^{-27}$  Kg
- Positron was discovered by Anderson. It is an anti-particle of electron, Its mass is equal to that of electron but charge is opposite to electron
- Age of fossils is determined by carbon dating.
- Einstein's mass - energy relation  $E = m \times c^2$  where  $c$  is the velocity of light
- The 12<sup>th</sup> part of mass of carbon atom ( ${}^{12}_6\text{C}$ ) is called the atomic mass unit (amu)
- 1 amu =  $1.6 \times 10^{-27}$  Kg
- 1 amu = 931 MeV
- The binding energy of a nucleus is the energy required to take its nucleons away from one another.



- The larger is the binding energy per nucleon of a nucleus the more stable will be the nucleus.
- In the process of nuclear fission a heavy nucleus breaks into two nearly equal fragments with the release of large amount of energy.
- In nuclear fusion two lighter nuclei moving at very high speeds fuse together to form a single heavier nucleus and large amount of energy is liberated.
- Atomic bomb is based on nuclear fission and hydrogen bomb is based on nuclear fusion
- Atomic bomb was invented by Otto Hann
- Nuclear fusion reactions taking place within the sun are the source of solar energy.
- In the nuclear reactor controlled chain reactions take place.
- Cadmium being a good absorber of neutrons is used as controller in nuclear reactor.
- To slow down the speed of neutrons heavy water (D<sub>2</sub>O) or graphite or beryllium oxide is used as moderator in the reactor
- The Apsara reactor in India is called the „swimming pool reactor“ because in it heavy water is used as a moderator
- Thorium is used as a fuel in the fast breeder reactor of Kalpakkam.
- Atomic reactor of India is in Trombay
- First atomic explosion in India took place in Pokhran (Rajasthan)
- Atomic reactor „Kamini“ in Madras (Chennai) is the reactor made completely by the Indian technique
- Polonium is the first man-made element
- „Apsara“ is the first nuclear research reactor of India
- Mass of neutron is slightly greater than the mass of a proton.
- India's first power reactor that uses natural uranium as fuel is in Kalpakkam
- All the elements with atomic number greater than 83 are radioactive in nature
- When an energetic rays photons falls on a heavy substance, it is absorbed by some nucleus of the substance and an electron and a positron are produced. This phenomenon is called „pair production“
- The minimum energy of photon for pair production should be 1.02 MeV
- The rest-mass energy of an electron is 0.51 MeV
- The reverse phenomenon of pair production is called pair annihilation
- Whenever an electron and positron come very close to each other, they annihilate each other by combining together and two photons are produced. This phenomenon is called pair annihilation
- Polonium was discovered by Madam Marie Curie. She named the newly discovered element Polonium in honour of her native land Poland.
- Cobalt-60 is generally used in radiation therapy because it emits rays
- Fission reaction series is controlled in a nuclear reactor whereas it is uncontrolled in an atomic bomb
- Hydrogen nucleus does not contain neutron
- Solar energy is produced by the process of nuclear fusion



- 1 Kg mass is equivalent to  $9 \times 10^{16}$  J or  $2.5 \times 10^{10}$  kWh of energy. The energy so obtained is called the nuclear energy.
- The tape of tape recorder is coated by a ferromagnetic substance
- X-rays are used for the determination of crystal structure
- When some information is required about patient's stomach by X-ray, the patient is administered some heavy atomic substance, like barium sulphate solution. Heavy atoms diffract X-rays efficiently. So, those parts of the stomach where this solution goes are photographed on the plate. The part where this solution does not reach are not clearly photographed.
- Transistor was invented by Bardeen, Shockley and Brattain.
- The unit of Planck's constant is joules second
- If the energy of a photon is  $E = h\nu$  and momentum is  $p = h/\lambda$  its velocity will be  $E/p$
- Proton is the ionised hydrogen atom
- The Master Control Facility of ISRO is in Hassan
- The charge on a positron is  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  coulomb
- By the emission from  ${}_{11}\text{Na}^{22}$ , Mg is produced
- The nuclear device is related with nuclear fusion
- Cryogenic engine is used in space shuttle
- Titanium is called the metal of the future
- Uranium oxide is called the yellow cake. It is smuggled in border areas.
- Deuterium oxide ( $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ) is heavy water
- Tritium is a radioactive isotope of hydrogen
- Radio Tuning is example of resonance
- About 200 MeV energy is liberated in the fission of uranium-235 nucleus
- Computer chips are made by silicon
- Selenium, Silicon, gallium arsenide are semiconductors.
- Fused sodium is used as coolant in the fast breeder reactor in Kalpakkam
- If the amount of a radioactive substance is doubled then the rate of radioactive decay will also be doubled
- Cobalt-60 radioactive isotope is used to control Leukemia
- The conductivity of semiconductor at 0 K is zero
- Zirconium is used in nuclear reactor because it is an absorber of neutrons.
- Semiconductors can conduct at room temperatures but not at low temperatures.
- Param is the first super computer of India
- H.C.L. is related with manufacturing of computer
- „Param 1000“ computer was developed by C-DAC
- Filament of halogen lamp is made up of an alloy of tungsten and iodine.
- Atomic pile is used in nuclear fission reaction
- Ceramic is a newly discovered superconductor
- Storage in a compact disc (CD) is done by optical method
- Radar was invented by Robert A. Watson Watt
- Satellite testing center is at Sriharikota
- In an electronic watch „crystalline bob“ is used in place of pendulum in pendulum clock

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- The source of the energy of stars is nuclear fusion
- Mercury is the closest planet to the sun
- Saturn has 21 satellites and Jupiter has 16 satellites
- Moon is the only satellite of earth
- Venus is the planet that is nearest to the earth
- Moon completes one revolution around sun in  $27\frac{1}{2}$  days
- Days and nights are caused due to earth's rotation
- The changing of weather on earth is caused due to it being tilted on its axis at  $23.5^\circ$  and revolution round the sun
- Earth takes  $365\frac{1}{4}$  days to complete one revolution round the sun
- There is no atmosphere on the moon
- Light takes 8 minutes (500 sec.) to reach earth from the sun
- Light takes 1.25 seconds to reach earth from the moon
- Uranus takes 84 years to complete one revolution round the sun
- Jupiter is the largest planet
- Jupiter is the heaviest planet
- Halley's comet is seen in 76 years
- Orbit of Halley's comet is elliptical in shape
- Dog star is the brightest star
- American astronaut Neil Armstrong was the first person to land on moon
- Lunic II is the first space shuttle to land on moon. It was launched in Apollo II mission
- „Ingel“ (Lunar Exploration model) was the first human space shuttle to land on moon
- USSR is the first country to launch artificial satellite
- USA is the first country to send a human astronaut on moon
- Alexi Niyonarov of Soviet Union is the first space traveller
- The first space traveller of India is Rakesh Sharma
- Radio Waves are reflected from ionosphere
- The satellite projection center of India is in Sri Harikota (Andhra Pradesh)
- The Head office of ISRO is in Bangalore
- India's first communication satellite center is established in Maharashtra, „Arvy“
- Retro rockets are used to reduce the speed of a space shuttle
- The major satellite of India was projected from cosmodrome of Russia
- When a satellite is at a distance of 35880 km (about 36000 km) from earth in space then the period of revolution of this satellite and that of earth become same. Such a satellite is called the Geostationary satellite and its orbit is called Geostationary orbit
- Geostationary satellite appears stationary with respect to earth. Therefore INSAT-IB satellite is always stationary over Indonesia
- Aryabhata was the first satellite launched by India on 19 April, 1975 from erstwhile Soviet Union (USSR)
- Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has four space centers. These centers are



- (1) Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Tiruvanathapuram
- (2) Indian Space research Organization satellite center, Bangalore (Karnataka)
- (3) SHAR Centre, Sri Harikota (Andhra Pradesh)
- (4) Space Application Centre, Ahmedabad (Gujarat)
- Theory of Black Hole was proposed by S. Chandrasekhar
- Red Giant is the last stage of the life cycle of a star
- One cosmic year is the time taken by the sun to complete one revolution around the AkashGanga.
- Radio telescopes are more suitable than the optical telescopes for the detection of radio sources
- Radiotelescopes can be used even in cloudy weather. It can penetrate the interstellar clouds
- Asteroids are rocky debris of different shapes revolving around the sun, which are found between the orbits of Jupiter and Saturn
- If the mass of a star is double of the sun then the resultant star will end as a neutron star
- Depletion of the ozone layer results in the increase of ultraviolet radiation in space
- Cosmos is a detective satellite
- Shoemaker Levi 9 comet collided with the sun
- The surface temperature of a red star is less than the surface temperature of a blue star
- A star whose mass is more than 1.4 times the mass of the sun ends up forming a black hole
- Doppler's effect is used in determining the speed of heavenly bodies in the line of vision
- Red giant is the last stage in the life of a star
- The shape and density of Mars is like the shape and density of the earth
- Saturn is surrounded by rings
- Black Hole is an object with a tremendously high density
- Ozone layer is found in the stratosphere
- Venus is the planet which is nearest to the earth
- Saturn has 7 satellites
- All the normal stars whose original mass is less than 1.4 times the mass of the sun get converted into white dwarfs. This limit is called Chandrasekhar Limit
- Mercury and Venus have no satellites
- Chlorofluorocarbons cause the depletion of the ozone layer
- Sirius is the brightest star in the sky
- The tail of a comet always points away from the sun because of solar radiation pressure and the effect of the solar wind
- Sun is the star that is nearest to Earth
- Man first landed on the moon in 1969

#### Discoveries and Invention in Physics

Discover / Invention	Discoverer / Inventor
Radioactivity	Henry Becquerel (1896)
Cosmic rays	R.A. Millikan (1910)



Discovery of neutron	James Chadwick (1932)
Discovery of Radium and Polonium	Madam Curie and Pierre Curie (1898)
Theory of Relativity	A. Einstein (1895)
Law of Electrolysis	Michael Faraday (1841)
Quantum Theory	Max Planck (1901)
Electro Magnetic Waves	Hertz (1887)
Cyclotron	Ernest Orlando Lawrence (1929)
Electro Magnetic Theory of Light	Maxwell
Dynamite	Alfred Nobel (1862)
Uranium decay	Otto Hahn (1941)
Raman Effect	C.V. Raman (1928)
Discovery of X-ray	W.K. Röntgen (1895)
Locomotive Engine	Stevenson (1814)
Discovery of electron	J.J. Thomson
Discovery of Positron	Anderson (1932)
Discovery of meson	H. Yukawa (1949)
Discovery of Proton	Rutherford (1919)

### Space Programme of India

- Department of space was set up in June, 1972. Department has brought about a remarkable development in space science and space technology
- Space systems set up by this department have promoted the development and application of space technology in the areas of telecommunication, meteorology, resources survey and management
- The launching of IRS and INSAT series satellites and the use of self designed launch vehicles like PSLV and GSLV have made India a self dependent country in the field of space technology
- India's progress in space technology has attracted world wide attention and demand, with leasing agreements for marketing of IRS data and supply of space hardware and services
- The launching of Indian Remote Sensing Satellite - IRS-ID by Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) on 29 September, 1997 was an important event. This Indian achievement in the application of space based remote sensing technology has rendered it an independent technological status in the launching of satellites.
- After the setting up of satellites weighing 1200 kg in polar orbits by PSLV the follow on satellites of IRS series were launched by this rocket launch vehicle only.





- The four Indian remote sensing satellite groups IRS-IC , IRS-ID and IRS-P3 have enhanced capabilities in terms of spatial resolution, additional spectral bands, stereoscopic imaging and wide field coverage
- INSAT satellites are providing services in the field of telecommunication, television broadcasting and weather forecasting. Now these services are being provided by five satellites INSAT-ID, INSAT-2D,INSAT-2B,INSAT-2C and INSAT-2DT acquired from ARABSAT organization.
- New technologies of satellite communication like Digital Audio Broadcasting are exhibited by Experimental satellite GSAT which was launched by GSLV during Developmental Test Flights of GSLV
- BraMos (blend name of 2-rivers-Brahmaputra of India & Moskva of Russia) - supersonic cruise missile was successfully tried on March 28, 2012 by BrahMos Aerospace from Interim Test Range, Chandipur from Balasore distt. Odisha. It is capable of carrying a conventional warhead of 200-300 kg. It is world's fastest cruise missile developed by Aerospace Private Ltd.- joint venture between India's DRDO and Russian Federation's NPO Mashinostroyeniya.

#### Facts at a Glance

#### First Artificial Satellites of Various Countries

Country	Satellite	Date of Launching
USSR	Sputnik-1	4 October,1957
USA	Explore-1	31 January,1958
France	Astenic A-a	26 November,1965
Japan	Oasuni	11 February,1970
China	China-1	24 April 1970
India	Rohini/ RS-1	18 July,1980

#### Milestones of Space

1962	Indian National Committee for Space Research (INCOSPAR) was associated by Atomic Energy Commission and Thumba Equatorial Launching Station (TERLS) was established
1963	First sounding rocket was launched TERS on 21 November,1963
1965	Space Science and Technology Centre (SSTC) was established in Thumba
1967	Satellite Telecommunication Earth station was established in Ahmedabad
1968	TERLS was taken over by United Nations
1969	Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) under Atomic Energy Commission was established on 15 August,1969

197 1	Satish Dhavan Space Centre , (SHAR), Sri harikota (Andhra Pradesh). This is main launch center of ISRO having two launch pads. Satellites are launched from here
197 2	Space commission and department of space was established on 1 June,1972
197 5	ISRO was converted from autonomous status into government organization on 1 April,1975

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198 4	Indian Soviet Manned Space Mission
199 2	Antrix Corporation Ltd., was set up in 1992. It is a company of Department of Space. It has been marketing space products and services in global market. It has been bringing orders to launch foreigner satellite from India on payment basis
199 7	An American citizen of Indian origin, Dr. Kalpana Chawla went into space in space shuttle Columbia launched on November 20, 1997
200 5	Master Control Facility (MCF), Bhopal. Due to heavy load on MCF, Hassan (set up in 1982), this Bhopal MCF is built up. MCF controls orbit operations all the life of the satellite, including orbit-raising of the satellites.
200 7	Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology (IIST), Thiruvananthapuram. This is Asia's first Space University. Its objective is to offer the highest quality of education in space science and technology to meet the demands of Indian space programmes.
200 8	Chandrayaan Project: Chandrayaan-1 completed 312 days in orbit and made 3400 orbits around the moon. It provided excellent quality of high resolution data and photographs. Chandrayaan-II is being ready to be launched
201 2	Project Mar Mission: Work on this project is going on ISRO will send a satellite to Planet Mars during 2013 timeframe. It will focus on climate, geology and sustainability of life on Mars

#### Atomic Energy Programme of India

Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) implements the atomic energy related programmes through the Department of Atomic Energy (DAE). This department controls over five research centers, four public sector undertakings, three industrial organizations and four service organizations. Apart from these, department offer help to seven research centers.

#### Organisations under department of Atomic Energy

##### Research and Development Organizations

1. Bhabha Atomic Research center, Mumbai
2. Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research, Kalpakkam
3. Centre for Advanced Technology, Indore
4. Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre, Kolkatta
5. Atomic Mineral Division, Hyderabad

##### Public Sector Organisation

1. Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd., Mumbai
2. Indian Rare Earths Ltd., Mumbai
3. Uranium Corporation of India Ltd., Jaduguda
4. Electronics Corporation of India Ltd., Hyderabad

##### Industrial Organisation

1. Heavy Water Board, Mumbai
2. Nuclear Fuel Complex, Hyderabad
3. Board of Radiation and Isotope Technology, Mumbai

### Service and Support Organizations

1. Directorate of Purchase and Stores, Mumbai
2. Construction Service and Estate Management Group, Mumbai
3. General Service Organization, Kalpakkam
4. Atomic Energy Education Society, Mumbai

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## Fully Aided Organizations

1. Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai
2. Tata Memorial Centre, Mumbai
3. Sha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata
4. Institute of Physics, Bhubaneswar
5. Mehta Research Institute of Maths and mathematical Physics, Allahabad
6. Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai
7. Institute of Plasma Research, Ahmedabad

Board of Radiation & Isotope Technology (BRIT) made several radio isotopes. They are used in industry, research, agriculture and medicine. Radio isotopic substances and instruments are exported to United Kingdom, Indonesia, Sri

Lanka, Mauritius, Australia and Nepal. Among radio isotopic substances, carbon-14 and tritium are labeled as radio chemicals, phosphorus-32 and sulphur-35

come under the label of nucleotide and other rare radiopharmaceuticals and radio immuno assay kit-RIS, radiation source, gamma radiography equipment and gamma irradiators system.

## Plants under Construction (At a Glance)

Centre	Number of Reactors	Type of Reactor	Fuel	Production Capacity	Expected Commercial Operation
Kakrapar	2	PHWR	Natural Uranium	2 X 700	Unit-3 June 2015 Unit-4-Dec-2015
Rajasthan	2	PHWR	Natural Uranium	2 X 700	Unit-7 Aug-2012 Unit-8-Mar-2013
Kudankulam	2	WER	Developed Uranium	2 X 1000	Unit-1 Aug-2012 Unit-2-Mar-2013

PHWR-Pressurised Heavy Water Reactor  
WER-Russian version of PHWR

BARC with the help of DST developed 64-node Anupam Super Computer System

In Kaiga and Kalpakkam the weather monitoring sophisticated system SODAR is established which presents the meteorological data

Atomic Energy Project under development

1. Kaiga Atomic Power Project- 1 & 2 - ( 2X 200 MWe PHWRs)-It is situated in the Uttara Kannada district of Karnataka and will produce 2420 MWe power
2. Rajasthan Atomic Power Project-3&4- (2X220MWe PHWRs)-This Project is established near Kota (Rajasthan) in Rawatbhata feeding the Northern Grid. Its third and fourth units were completed in May 1998 and November 1998
3. Tarapur Atomic Power Project- 13 & 4- ( 2X 500 MWe PHWRs)-It was started in 1997-98
4. Kudankulam Atomic Power Project-(2X1000MWe PHWRs)-This Project is based on the co-operative works of Russia and India. It is established in Tamil Nadu. Its two nuclear power stations are based upon

pressurised Water Reactors and Each having power of 1000MWe  
Heavy water Plants of India are 8-Nangal, Pubjab; Tuticorin, Tamilnadu;  
Rawatbhata, Rajasthan; Baroda, Gujarat; Thal, Maharashtra; Talchar,  
Odisha;  
Manuguru, Andhra Pradesh and Hazira, Gujarat, Rawatbhata and Manuguru

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Plants use hydrogen sulphide and water exchange process which is developed by Tromby. Electrolysis of water and low temperature hydrogen distillation processes are used in Baroda, Hazira, Tuticorin, Talcher and Thal plants. In all the other plants Ammonia Hydrogen Exchange process is used for the production of heavy water.

Know These Also

Cooled sodium is used in Advanced Heavy Water Reactor (AHWR)

BARC successfully completed Aerial Gamma Spectrometric Survey in Jodhpur

In area of Meghalaya where sand stone is found is prominent.

Strobilanthes of Acanthaceae family are identified as an indicator of Uraniferous sandstone

BARC has developed Laser Enhanced Ionization Spectrometer (LEIS) which will study atomic and molecular species in a flame

Nitrogen laser developed by CAT Indore is used in healing of burn wounds.

Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research-IGCAR situated in Kalpakkam (Tamil Nadu) is working in the development of sodium cooled Fast Reactor Technology

In the center for Advanced Technology, Indore (Madhya Pradesh) the research is going on in lasers, accelerators, high vacuum technology, cryogenics and large magnets

Kamini research reactor in Kalpakkam is working since 29 October, 1996. It is a 30 KW reactor. Uranium 233 fuel is used in it and Uranium-233 is produced from thorium by radiation

Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mumbai is India's Major nuclear research and development center. There are three research reactors here which are Dhruva-100 MWt, Cirus-40 MWt, Apsara-1 MWt. They produce radioisotopes.

Tarapur and Kalpakkam Plants are working under their control. Radiation Medicine Centre is a unit of BARC situated in Mumbai which is

working as a Regional Referral Centre of World Health Organization

Work is going on on the use of thorium in Advanced Heavy Water Reactor (AHWR)

Fact at a Glance

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Mumbai Telecommunication Programme of India

The major function of the telecommunication department is to look after the engineering, management, planning and maintenance of the telecommunication services in the country

Internet services in the country are provided by DOT and Videhs Sanchar Nigam Ltd., (VSNL)

Telecommunication Department had decided to give the task of providing the following services to the registered Indian companies at

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6. Direct Accesscode
7. Bulletin cardservice
8. KBPS datanetwork
9. INSAT satellite system usingVSAT
10. Video textservice
11. Videoconferencing
12. Credit card Authorizationservice

### Prominent Scientists

#### Albert Einstein

German – Swiss, famous scientist known for his theory of relativity. He lived between 1879 and 1955

#### Archimedes

A Greek mathematician who lived about 250 BC. He discovered the buoyancy in liquids., which is also invented Archimedean screw, a cylindrical device for raising water

#### Dr.Brain J osephson

He belonged to England. He is known for the discovery of the J osephson effect.

He was honoured with a Nobel Prize for Physics in 1973

#### Karl Marx

Father of Scientific Socialism

#### Copernicus

He was an astronomer of Poland who discovered the solar system. He lived between 1413 and 1543

#### Dr.Dennis Gabor

A British engineer, presently working in America. He was awarded Nobel Prize

for Physicist in 1971 for his invention in development of the holographic method – three dimensional photography

#### Dr.Edward Teller

A US nuclear scientist. He developed the hydrogen bomb

#### G.Marconi

Italian scientist, lived between 1874 and 1937. he invented radio telegraphy and succeeded in sending wireless messages across Atlantic ocean in 1901. He was honoured with a Nobel prize for physics in 1909

#### Galileo

Italian scientist. He viewed that all falling bodies, great or small, descent with equal velocity. He invented telescope and became the first man to see the satellites of Jupiter. He lived between 1564 and 1642

#### Henri Becquerel

He was a French physicist. He lived between 1852 and 1908. In 1896 discovered Becquerel rays, the first indication of radio-activity, later named as gamma rays. He shared Nobel Prize for physics in 1903 with the Curies

#### Henry Cavendish



Born in 1731 in Britain. He discovered hydrogen gas, determined the structure of water molecule and calculated the density of earth by an experiment. He died in 1810

**Sir Humphrey Davy**

A British chemist. He invented the safety lamp. First to apply electric current for the isolation of metals. He lived between 1778 and 1829

**Dr. H. Yukawa**

Born in 1907. Predicted a new particle meson which holds the protons and neutrons of the atomic nucleus. He was the first Japanese to win the Nobel Prize in Physics (1949)

**Sir Isaac Newton**

He was a British natural philosopher. He discovered Binomial theorem: the differential and the integral calculus and the Universal law of gravitation. He lived between 1642 and 1727

**Sir James Chadwick**

A British physicist. He discovered the particle in an atomic nucleus known as the neutron, because it has no charge. He lived between 1891 and 1974

**Johannes Kepler**

He was a German astronomer. He lived between 1571 and 1630. He discovered the laws of planetary motion which resulted in the development of Electronics, a branch of Physics

**Sir J. J. Thomson**

He was a British physicist. He lived between 1856 and 1940. He discovered the electron which resulted in the development of Electronics, a branch of Physics

**James Watt**

He was a Scottish engineer. He lived between 1736 and 1819. He invented steam engine

**Prof. John Wardine**

Propounded the "Theory of Superconductivity". For this he was honored with Nobel Prize in 1972 with Prof. Kapoor and Schrieffer

**W. Konard Rontgen**

He was a German physicist. He discovered X-rays or Rontgen rays for which he was awarded the first Nobel Prize for Physics in 1901. He lived between 1845 and 1923

**Madam Marie Curie**

She was a Polish physicist and chemist. She discovered radium and was awarded a Nobel Prize for this in Physics in 1903. She was awarded with a second Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1911. She lived between 1867 and 1934

**Michael Faraday**

He was a British scientist. He was prominent in the field of electromagnetism. He discovered the laws of electrolysis and alternating current. He lived between 1791 and 1867

**Marcello Malpighi**

Father of Microscopy

**Max Planck**

A German theoretical physicist. He formulated the quantum theory. He was awarded with the Nobel Prize for it in 1918

**Neils Bohr**



He was a Danish physicist. He extended the theory of atomic structure of devising an atomic model in 1913. He was awarded with a Nobel Prize for physics in 1922. He lived between 1885 and 1962

#### **Otto Hahn**

He was a German pioneer of nuclear research. He won the Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1944. He proved in 1938 that atomic fission can be achieved by bombarding Uranium with neutrons.

#### **Robert Boyle**

He was an Irish natural philosopher. He was one of the founders of modern chemistry and Boyle's Law. He lived between 1627 and 1691

#### **Rutherford**

He was a British scientist. He won a Nobel Prize for his work on structure of atom and radio-activity. He lived between 1871 and 1937

#### **Robert H. Goddard**

He was an American pioneer of space research who mentioned the possibility of shooting a rocket to the moon in a paper entitled "A Method of Reaching Extreme Altitudes" published by him in 1919

#### **Sir Robert Watson - Watt**

He was British physicist. He developed radar

#### **S.N. Bose**

He was an Indian scientist. He discovered a particle called „boson“. He was awarded with Padma Vibhushan in 1954. He lived between 1894 and 1974

Thomas Alva Edison  
He was an American Scientist. He lived between 1847 and 1931. He invented phonograph, electric bulb, a new type of storage battery, an early form of cinematography, telegraph etc.,

#### **Tsiolkovsky**

A Russian pioneer who developed the basic theory of rocketry. He is also known as Father of Rocketry in Russia. He lived between 1857 and 1935

#### **Dr. Werner Von Braun**

He is a director of Marshall Space Flight Centre, America. Saturn V rockets have been developed here by his efforts by which Apollo 11 and 12 were launched

#### **William Bragg**

He was British physicist who researched on the behavior of crystals with regard to X-rays incident upon them. He lived between 1880 and 1971

#### **Dr. Homi J. Bhabha**

He was an Indian Scientist. He published important papers on Cosmic Rays and Quantum Theory. He was a professor at the Indian Science Institute, Bengaluru; Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission; Director, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research; President, Indian Science Congress in 1951 and presided at the Atoms for Peace Conference held at Geneva in 1956. He had many significant researches in structure of atom and contributed largely to the setting up of atomic reactors at Trombay (Mumbai)

#### **Dr. S. Bhagvantam**

He was born in 1899 and was among the prominent scientists of India who gave important contribution in radio astronomy and cosmic rays.

#### **Dr. Shanti Swaroop Bhatnagar (1878-1955)**



He was a great Indian scientist. He was the first Director General of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research. Under his directorship, many research laboratories were established throughout India

**Jagdish Chandra Bose (1858-1937)**

He was an eminent physicist and Botanist. He founded Bose Research Institute, Kolkata. He invented Cresco graph.

**Prof. Satish Dhawan**

An eminent Indian scientist, born in 1920. He was chairman of Indian space Research Organisation. Indian artificial satellites "Aryabhata" and Rohini were launched due to his efforts.

**Dr. K.S. Radhakrishnan (1898-1961)**

Dr. Krishnan had contributed greatly in the field of Physics. He associated Dr. C.V. Raman in the discovery of "Raman Effect". He was also the director of National Physics Laboratory, Delhi

**Dr. B.D. Nag Chaudhary**

An eminent Indian Nuclear Physicist known all over the world. He associated Dr. Lawrence in the invention of Cyclotron. He had also been the director of Saha Nuclear Institute, Kolkata.

**Dr. H.N. Sethna**

He has greatly contributed in the development of nuclear technology in India. First atomic test in India was done under his guidance. He had been the Chairman of Atomic Power Commission of India. In 1959 he was awarded with Sankarwaroop Bhatnagar award and entitled with Padma Shree. He was also honoured with Padma Bhushan in 1966

**J. V. Narlikar**

An Indian scientist who was the co-author of Hoyle-Narlikar theory of continuous creation which supplies missing links in Einstein's Theory of Relativity. Hoyle and Narlikar have shown that the gravitation is always attractive and there is no gravitational repulsion.

**Dr. Raja Ramanna**

A prominent Indian scientist who was instrumental to stage India's first Nuclear explosion at Pokhran range in 1974. He had been a chairman of Atomic Energy Commission

**Dr. C.V. Raman (1888-1970)**

First Indian scientist to receive Noble Prize for Physics in 1929 for his invention

"Raman Effect". His study of crystal structure is of unique importance. He was also awarded with Lenin award and Bharat Ratna

**Dr. Vikram Sarabhai (1919-1971)**

Former Chairman of India's Atomic Energy Commission and the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO). Dr. Sarabhai was eminent physicist mainly interested in the astrophysical implications of Cosmic Ray Time variation. He also had an active contribution in the establishment of Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad and Indian Institute of Management.

**Dr. Meghnad Saha (1893-1956)**

He had provided a great contribution in the field of Physics and Mathematic. He is well known for his research in nuclear physics, cosmic rays, spectrum analysis and



other branches of theoretical Physics. Institute of Nuclear Physics was established due to his efforts. He was also a member of Lok Sabha

### **Dr.Subhramanyam Chandrashekhar**

He was an American of Indian Origin. He won Nobel Prize in physics in 1983. He is an Astro-Physicist. His theory of stellar Evolution – the birth and death of stars is 35 years old. He is the fourth Indian to win Nobel Prize. In 1967, he was also honored by „National Medal of Science“ award in America.

### **Bhaskar-I**

A prominent Indian astronomer of 7<sup>th</sup> century. Second satellite of India was named after him.

### **Bhaskaracharya- II (1114-1185)**

He was great Hindu mathematician and astronomer. His work „sidhanta siromani“ consists of two part of mathematic and two part of astronomy. He had fore-sight on the modern theory of conventions.

### **Aryabhata (476-550)**

He was a great mathematician and an astronomer. His contributions include information about the movement of earth around the sun, determination of various physical parameter of various celestial bodies such as diameter of earth and moon. he laid foundations of algebra and pointed out the importance of zero. The first Indian satellite was named after him.

### **Scientific Instrument**

#### **Accumulator**

It is used to store electrical energy. It supplies electricity when required

#### **Actinometer**

An Instrument that measures the intensity of solar radiation

#### **Aerometer**

It is used to determine the weight and density of air and gas

#### **Altimeter**

It measures the height of a flying plane

#### **Ammeter**

It measures electric current in amperes.

#### **Anemometer**

It measures the power and speed of air / wind

#### **Artificial Satellite**

It is a man made satellite that revolves around the earth and helps in the study of a specific area

#### **Audiometer**

It measures the intensity of sound

#### **Audio phone**

It is fitted in ear for aid in hearing

#### **Ballistic Galvanometer**

It is used for measuring current in micro amperes

#### **Barograph**

It measures the change in atmospheric pressure

#### **Barometer**

It is used in measuring the atmospheric pressure

#### **Binocular**



It is used to see distant objects

### Calipers

It measures the internal and external radii of cylindrical objects. It can also measure their thickness

### Calorimeter

It is made up of copper and measures the quantities of heat

### Carburetor

An arrangement in internal combustion engines to mix air with petroleum vapors.

### Cardiogram

The record obtained from a cardiograph

### Cardiograph

A medical instrument used for tracing the movement of the heart

### Chronometer

An instrument used in ships to calculate accurate time

### Cinematograph

It is used to focus the films on the screen. It consists of a number of lenses arranged to project on a screen an enlarged image of photographs.

### Colorimeter

An instrument for comparing intensities of colour

### Communication Satellite

This satellite is used in communications.

### Compass Box

A device that indicates the North and South direction at any place

### Computer

It is an electronic device. It is used to solve mathematical problems and calculations

### Crescograph

An instrument used in recording growth of plants. It was invented by Dr. J. C. Bose

### Cyclotron

An apparatus for electromagnetic acceleration of charged atoms

### Daniel Cell

It is used as a source of direct current in a circuit

### Density Meter

Density is measured by this instrument

### Dictaphone

A machine which first records what is spoken into it and then reproduces it. It is generally used in offices

### Diesel engine

It is an instrument which converts the heat produced by the combustion of diesel into mechanical energy

### Dip circle

An instrument to determine the angle between the directions of the earth's magnetic field and the horizontal at a place. This particular angle is known as dip at that place.

### Dynamometer

An instrument for measuring the electrical power



**Dynamo**

An electrical instrument in which the mechanical energy is converted into electrical energy. The principle of electromagnetic induction is involved in it.

**Electric bulb**

Its filament emits white light on heating when electric current is passed through it

**Electric Motor**

It is an instrument that converts electrical energy into mechanical energy

**Electroencephalograph**

Used to record and interpret the electrical activity of the brain

**Electrometer**

An instrument for measuring electricity

**Electron microscope**

It is used to see very minute organisms called microbes. Its magnification power is one thousand times of a single microscope

**Electrophorus**

An instrument for generating static electricity by induction

**Electroscope**

An instrument for detecting the presence of electric charge

**Fathometer**

An instrument for measuring the depth of the ocean

**Fire Extinguisher**

It consists of a metallic container filled with sodium carbonate solution and a small glass bottle. This bottle is fitted with a metallic rod whose end emerges out. The extinguisher is trucked at this end at the time of use due to which the bottle breaks and the acid in it comes in contact with the sodium carbonate. Carbon dioxide is evolved by their reaction which extinguishes fire

**Galvanometer**

An instrument for measurement of small magnitude

**Geiger Muller Counter**

A device used to detect the presence of radiation of a radioactive source

**Gravimeter**

An instrument to record oil deposit under water

**Gyroscope**

An instrument to illustrate the dynamics of rotating bodies

**Heart-lungs machine**

It is used in the surgery of heart and lungs

**Hovercraft**

A vehicle that moves on the cushion of air. It can move at a fast speed on land, marshy and snowy fields and deserts. This vehicle moves above the ground and has no contact with it

**Hydrometer**

An instrument to measure the specific gravity of liquids

**Hydrophone**

An instrument for recording sound under water

**Hygrometer**

An instrument to measure the humidity in air

**Hygroscope**

- An instrument to show the changes in atmospheric humidity
- Hypsometer**  
An instrument to measure the height above sea level
- Internal combustion engine**  
Projects the jet planes in forward direction
- Kaleidoscope**  
used to see various type of geometrical designs
- Kymograph**  
An instrument to record graphically various physiological movements. i.e. blood pressure, heart beat, study of lungs etc. in living beings
- Lactometer**  
An instrument used to test the purity of milk
- Lighting Conductor**  
It is placed on the roofs of high rise building for the prevention of the buildings from the prevention of the building from lightning
- Loud Speaker**  
It is an instrument that amplifies the sound. It converts electric waves into sound waves
- Magnetometer**  
An instrument used to compare the magnetic moments and fields
- Manometer**  
An instrument for determining the pressure of gas
- Megaphone**  
An instrument for carrying sound to long distance
- Micro meter**  
An instrument to calculate the fraction of the lowest division of a given scale
- Microphone**  
An instrument used for converting sound waves into electrical signals
- Microscope**  
An optical instrument that produces enlarged images of minute objects
- Microtome**  
An instrument used to cut an object into thin parts for microscopic inspection
- Odometer**  
An instrument used to determine the distance covered by wheeled vehicles
- Oscillograph**  
An instrument that graphically represents the electrical and mechanical vibrations
- Periscope**  
An instrument used by the crew of a submarine to survey the ships etc. on the surface of the ships etc. on the surface of the sea. It is used in pits dug in war field
- Phonograph**  
An instrument for recording and reproducing sound stored as grooves cut in cylinders
- Photo telegraph**  
An instrument that sends photograph from one place to another. It is used in communication system
- Photographic camera**  
An apparatus used to take the real photograph of an object or a person





**Photometer**

An instrument used to compare the illuminating power of two sources of light

**Potentiometer**

It is used to compare the emf of cells, to measure the thermal emfs to determine the large potential difference currents and measure the low resistances

**Psytotrone**

An instrument used to create artificial weather

**Pyknometer**

An instrument used to measure the density and coefficient of expansion of liquid

**Phyheliometer**

An instrument for measuring the solar radiations

**Pyrometer**

An instrument to record the high temperature of a distant object, e.g., the sun

**Radar**

It is used to detect the direction and range of a flying aircraft by means of wave radios

**Radiator**

It is used in car engines and regulators to regulate the temperature of the engine. It acts as a cooling agent

**Radio telescope**

It is an instrument that enables one to see the events taking place at one place at the other place by the means of wireless system

**Radiometer**

An instrument for measuring the emission of radiant energy

**Rain Gauge**

An instrument for recording the rainfall at a particular place

**Refractometer**

It is an instrument used to measure the refractive indices of transparent media

**Resistance Thermometer**

Used for determining the electrical resistance of a conductor

**Rocket**

It is used for travelling in space. Oxygen and hydrogen are used as fuel in it. It also goes beyond atmosphere

**Saccharimeter**

An instrument used to measure the amount of sugar content in a solution

**Safety Lamp**

An instrument used for lighting in mines. Explosion in mines can be prevented by its use

**Salinometer**

Used to determine the concentration of salt solution by measuring their densities

**Seismograph**

An instrument used to record the intensity and distance of an earthquake

**Sextet**

It measures the height of a building, towers etc.,

**Spectroscope**

An instrument that for spectrum analysis

**Speedmeter**

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- Speedometer**  
An instrument that indicates speed at which a vehicle is moving
- Sphygmomanometer**  
It is used to accurately measure the radius of curvature of spherical object
- Sphygmoscope**  
An instrument that measures arterial blood pressure
- Sphgmophone**  
An instrument by virtue of which arterial pulsations become visible
- Stethoscope**  
An instrument with the help of which a pulse beat can be heard
- Stop watch**  
An instrument used to record small interval of time in laboratory, in races etc.,
- Stroboscope**  
An instrument that brings fast moving objects in view as if they were at rest
- Tachometer**  
An instrument that determines speed of aeroplanes, motor boats etc.,
- Tape recorder**  
An instrument used to record and hear sound
- Telephone**  
An instrument by virtue of which two persons at different places can communicate
- Telephotography**  
The picture of a moving object can be telecast at another place by it
- Teleprinter**  
An instrument which prints automatically the messages sent from various places
- Telescope**  
An instrument used to observe astronomical objects
- Television**  
An instrument which receives images of moving objects transmitted by radio waves and converts into real sound and sight
- Telex**  
It helps in direct exchange of information between two countries
- Telstar**  
It is a space satellite by which overseas communication are made possible
- Theodolite**  
An instrument for measuring horizontal and vertical angles with a rotating telescope
- Thermocouple**  
An instrument based on thermo-electricity used for measuring temperature
- Thermograph**  
An instrument self registering the record made by thermometer
- Thermos Flask**  
It is a device that can maintain the temperature of the materials kept in it constant for about 24 hours



**Thermostat**

An apparatus to measure temperature to a particular degree. It is used in refrigeration

**Transformer**

It regulates the potential of an AC source

**Transistor**

It receives and transmits the sound waves. It is a mode of transmission

**Ultra Sonoscope**

It is used to detect ailments in heart, brain etc.

**Vacuum Cleaner**

It is a device that cleans dirt. It is used to remove dirt from walls, floor, carpet etc.,

**Viscometer**

It is an instrument used to determine the viscosity of liquids.

**Wireless**

It is an instrument which can send messages from one place to another without the use of wire.

