4. CERAMIC TECHNOLOGY

Module I (14 hours)

Introduction: Types, nature, conventional & recent applications, refractories, silicates, glasses, super- refractories, cement, whiteware etc.

Structure: Types of bonding, bonding characteristics, basic structures, perovskite structure, structure of silicates, polymorphic transformations, ceramic oxides, non-oxide ceramics, crystalline & non-crystalline ceramics

Properties: Mechanical, thermal, electrical, optical, magnetic, failure modes, ionic and superionic conductivity

Module II (16 hours)

Phase Equilibria: Phase rule, one component system: silica, binary & ternary systems, miscibility gap in glasses, dilatometric expansion curve, viscosity based transition points in glasses, devitrification in glasses

Processing: Powder pressing, slip casting, tape casting, gelcasting, hydroplastic forming, extrusion, sintering, jiggering, sol-gel processing, anvil technology, ceramic coating, fusion casting, drying & firing, glass forming process

Heat Treatment of Glasses: Influence of processing & heat treatment on microstructure

Module III (10 hours)

Special Types & Applications: Toughened ceramics, cermet, piezoelectric ceramic, ceramic magnets, high temperature superconducting magnets, glass-ceramic composite, chemically bonded ceramics, bioceramics

Ceramics in electrical applications, fuel cells, solar cells, batteries

Text and Reference Books:

- 1. Fundamentals of Ceramics by M. W. Barsoum, Taylor & Francis
- 2. Introduction to Ceramics by W. D. Kingery, H. K. Bowen, D. R. Uhlmann, Wiley
- 3. Ceramic Processing and Sintering by M.N. Rahman, Marcel Dekker, Inc.
- 4. Principles of Ceramics Processing by J. S. Reed, Wiley Interscience
- 5. Introduction to Glass Science and Technology by J. E. Shelby, Royal Society of Chemistry
- 6. Handbook of Advanced Ceramics Vol.II, Processing and Their Applications by Shigeyuki Somiya, Elsevier Academic Press
- 7. Mechanical Properties of Ceramics by J. B. Watchman, John Wiley New York, 1996