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Generic Elective Course
5D 04 PHY: JOY OF STAR WATCHING

Time: 2 Hours Max. Marks: 20

PART - A

Answer all questions. Each carries 1 mark.

- 1. Give the name of the star Alpha Canis Majoris.
- 2. What is the image of Sagittarius constellation in Indian astronomy?
- 3. Why can't we see the complete spiral structure of Milky way?
- 4. Name the constellation in which the Pleiades star cluster belongs to.
- 5. Telescopes are not useful to view the constellations. Why?
- 6. What is ecliptio?

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PART - B

Answer any four questions. Each carries 2 marks.

- 7. Write a note on the Taurus constellation.
- 8. What are white dwarf and neutron star?
- 9. What is a main sequence star?
- 10. Draw the Orion constellation connecting the 7 main stars and mark the location of M32 nebula.
- 11. The power of a binoculars is expressed as 8x30. What do these numbers represent?
- 12. What are the pros and cons of altazimuth mount over equatorial mount? (4×2=8)

PART - C

Answer any one question. Each carries 6 marks.

- 13. Discuss the observational evidences which support Big Bang theory.
- 14. Write brief notes on the following in the context of Kerala astronomy.
 - i) Navagrahas
 - ii) Njattuvela
 - iii) Janmanakshatra.

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