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DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

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The following Value-Added Course will be conducted during the academic year 2021-2022. The course will be conducted from 18.01.2022 to 22.01.2022. Students are instructed to register their names in the course allotted to them.

Note: Students are instructed to attend the program without fail.

S. No.	Course Code	Name of the Course	Year / Sem	No. of Period	Course Coordinator
1	ME - VAC2101	Fundamentals of Solar Energy Sources	IV	30	Er.G.Senthilvel, Asst.Prof
2	ME - VAC2102	Fundamentals of Refrigeration	II / III	30	Er.P.Prakash, Asst.Prof

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COURSE CODE

ME-VAC2101

COURSE NAME

FUNDAMENTALS OF SOLAR ENERGY SOURCES

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- To acquire knowledge on solar radiation principles with respect to solar energy estimation.
- To familiarized with various collecting techniques of solar energy and its storage
- To learn the solar photovoltaic technology principles and different types of solar cells for energy conversion and different photovoltaic applications.
- To Understand the working principles of several solar appliances like Solar cookers, Solar hot water systems, Solar dryers, Solar Distillation, Solar greenhouses

Module I: Introduction to Solar Radiation

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Sun as a source of energy, Solar radiation, Solar radiation at the Earth's surface,

Module II: Measurement of Solar radiation

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Pyroheliometer, Pyranometer, Sunshine recorder, Prediction of available solar radiation, Solar energy-Importance, Storage of solar energy.

Module III: Solar Thermal Systems

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Principle of conversion of solar radiation into heat, Collectors used for solar thermal conversion: Flat plate collectors and Concentrating collectors, Solar Thermal Power Plant, Solar cookers, Solar hot water systems, Solar dryers, Solar Distillation.

Module IV: Solar Photovoltaic Systems

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Conversion of Solar energy into Electricity - Photovoltaic Effect, Solar photovoltaic cell and its working principle, Different types of Solar cells, Series and parallel connections.

Module V: Photovoltaic applications

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Battery chargers, domestic lighting, street lighting and water pumping, advancement in using resources



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COURSE OUTCOMES

Solar energy is to be a major primary energy source; utilization requires solar capture and conversion. In this course we will discuss about various photovoltaics technologies, different generation of solar cells, device fabrication and characterization techniques and applications in industries.

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