Acids, Bases and Salts

- Acid: Turns blue litmus colour to red
- **Bas**e: Turns red litmus colour to blue
- Bases which are soluble in water are called alkalis. Example KOH, Mg(OH)₂
- Turmeric is a natural indicator
- Reaction of acid with metals
- In most cases, metals replace hydrogen from acids.

 $Zn + H_2SO_4 \rightarrow ZnSO_4 + H_2$

- Metal oxide + Acid
- Metal oxide + Acid \rightarrow Salt + Water
- Reaction of base with metals
- $2NaOH + Zn \rightarrow Na_2ZnO_2(sodium zincate) + H_2$

• Acids with metal carbonate and hydrogen carbonate

- Carbonate + Acid \rightarrow Salt + Water + CO₂
- Na₂CO₃ + 2HC1 → 2NaCl + H₂O + CO₂
- Further on passing the carbon dioxide gas evolved through lime water.
- $Ca(OH)_2 + CO_2 \rightarrow CaCO_3 + H_2O$

• Acid – Base reaction

Acid + Base \rightarrow Salt + Water

NaOH + HCl → NaCl +H₂O

• In water solution

Acid \rightarrow H⁺ ion ; H⁺ + H₂O \rightarrow H₃O⁺ Base \rightarrow OH⁻ ion HCl + H₂O \rightarrow H₃O⁺ + Cl⁻

NaOH ^{H2O}→Na⁺+OH⁻

- Higher H^+ concentration \rightarrow Strong acid
- Lower H⁺ concentration \rightarrow Weak acid
- Higher the OH- concentration \rightarrow Stronger the base
- pH Measure
- pH \rightarrow Measure of acidity \rightarrow Measure H⁺ concentration on the scale (0 14)

- pH 7 \rightarrow Neutral solution
- $pH < 7 \rightarrow Acidic solution$
- $pH > 7 \rightarrow Basic solution$
- Salts' pH = 7
- Human body pH = 7.0 7.8
- Change in pH in body causes \rightarrow Tooth decay, stomach pain, burning pain (Honey bee sting)
- Plants and animals are sensitive to pH change
- Self defence by animals and plants through chemical wefare
- **Common salt** \rightarrow NaCl



For cleaning steel, production of ammonium chloride. medicines.

- **Bleaching powder** → CaOCl₂
- Preparation-

 $Ca(OH)_2 + Cl_2 \rightarrow CaOCl_2 + H_2O$

• Use –

Disinfecting material **Baking soda –** (NaHCO₃) Sodium hydrogen carbonate

• Preparation -

NaCl + H₂O + CO₂ + NH₃ → NH₄Cl + NaHCO₃ (Mild non-corrosive base)

• Use -

Making baking powder (Baking soda + Mild acid, like tartaric acid) Ingredient for antacids Soda-acid fire extinguisher Washing soda - Na₂CO₃. 10H₂O

• Preparation-

 $\mathrm{Na_2CO_3} + 10\mathrm{H_2O} \rightarrow \mathrm{Na_2CO_3.10H_2O}$

• Use –In glass, soap, paper industries

Making sodium compounds such as borax As domestic cleaning agent

- Removing permanent hardness of water
- **Water of crystallisation :** It refers to a fixed number of water molecules present in one formula unit of salt.
- **Example** In gypsum, the water of crystallisation is 2.

 $CaSO_4.\frac{1}{2}H_2O + 1\frac{1}{2}H_2O \rightarrow CaSO_4.2H_2O$ (solid) (Gypsum)

- **Hydrated substances:** Substances containing water of crystallisation for example, hydrated copper sulphate (CuSO₄.5H₂O).
- **Anhydrous substances:** Substances either not containing water of crystallisation or from which water of crystallisation is removed, for example, sodium chloride (NaCl) and anhydrous copper sulphate (CuSO₄).
- **Drying agents:** Substances that absorb moisture without undergoing a chemical reaction, for example, anhydrous calcium chloride (CaCl₂).
- **Dehydrating agents:** Substances the remove chemically bonded water from a compound, for example, concentrated sulphuric acid (H₂SO₄).