

The colour of the coordination compounds depends on the crystal field splitting. What will be the correct order of absorption of wavelength of light in the visible region, for the complexes,  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$ ,  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$ ,  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$

- (i)  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-} > [\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$
- (ii)  $[\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
- (iii)  $[\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-}$
- (iv)  $[\text{Co}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-} > [\text{Co}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+} > [\text{Co}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]^{3+}$

Ans : 3

The crystal field splitting depends on the ligand strength . Which is highest of  $\text{CN} > \text{NH}_3 > \text{H}_2\text{O}$  so energy is high for these molecules and  $E$  is inversely proportional to  $\lambda$  . so Highest  $\lambda$  will have weakest ligand .  $\text{H}_2\text{O} > \text{NH}_3 > \text{CN}$