LIST OF TABLES

| Table No. | Title | Page No. |
|-----------|--|----------|
| 1.1 | Pyrochlore (A ₂ B ₂ O ₆ O') Structure data | 4 |
| 2.1 | Actual weights of different ingredients | |
| | taken during the preparation | 30 |
| 2.2 | Miller indices and hkl planes for Ce ₂ Ti ₂ O ₇ | 42 |
| 2.3 | Miller indices and hkl planes for Ce _{1.8} Nd _{0.2} Ti ₂ O ₇ | 42 |
| 2.4 | Miller indices and hkl planes for Ce _{1.6} Nd _{0.4} Ti ₂ O ₇ | 43 |
| 2.5 | Miller indices and hkl planes for Ce _{1.4} Nd _{0.6} Ti ₂ O ₇ | 43 |
| 2.6 | Miller indices and hkl planes for Ce _{1.2} Nd _{0.8} Ti ₂ O ₇ | 44 |
| 2.7 | Miller indices and hkl planes for Ce Nd Ti ₂ O ₇ | 44 |
| 2.8 | Lattice parameters and Bond lengths. | 46 |
| 2.9 | Values of x-ray density, particle size, percentage | |
| | porosity and volume density | 47. |
| 2.10 | Special position with space group Fd3m of | |
| | the A ₂ B ₂ O ₇ Pyrochlores. | 48 |
| 3.1 | Activation Energy in eV for all Compositions. | 68 |
| 5.1 | Activation Energy in eV for all Compositions. | 107 |