STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 86 (For Candidates admitted during the academic year 2008 – 2009)

SUBJECT CODE: EC/MC/EE34

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2009 BRANCH IV – ECONOMICS THIRD SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE

PAPER : ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX.MARKS : 100

SECTION - A

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 50 WORDS.

 $(10 \times 3 = 30)$

- 1. What constitutes the 'Environment'?
- 2. What is meant by market failure?
- 3. What is meant by 'Tragedy of Commons'?
- 4. What is resource?
- 5. Biological Resources are characterized as renewable but destructive clarify
- 6. Name any six Indicators of sustainable development?
- 7. What is implied by weak sustainability rule?
- 8. What is meant by optimum pollution?
- 9. What is abatement cost?
- 10. What is user value and non-user value in the evaluation of environmental benefits?

SECTION-B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 300 WORDS: (5X6=30)

- 11. Explain 'Material Balance Model' with an illustration?
- 12. Discuss property rights as an approach to pollution problem?
- 13. Explain the Hotelling rule for exploitation of a non-renewable resource?
- 14. List the principles of sustainable development given by Herman daly.
- 15. Environmental quality is a public good- Discuss.
- 16. Examine the Coase Theorem as a solution to pollution problem.
- 17. Give a short description of the contingent valuation method.

SECTION -C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1200 WORDS:- (2x20=40)

- 18. Discuss the significance of Environmental Economics.
- 19. Discuss the historical approach to natural resource scarcity
- 20. Compare effluent tax with subsidies as method of pollution control
- 21. Make a critical study of the methods of environmental valuation.
