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

SUBJECT CODE: EC/MC/ME14

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

COURSE : MAJOR – CORE

PAPER : MICRO ECONOMICS - I

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS : 100

SECTION - A

ANSWER ALL TEN QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 50 WORDS (10 X 3 = 30)

- 1. Define Law of Demand.
- 2. Distinguish between static and comparative static analysis.
- 3. What are the assumptions of cardinal utility theory?
- 4. Mention the properties of indifference curve analysis.
- 5. What are ridge lines? What is their significance to a firm?
- 6. Distinguish between short run and long run costs.
- 7. Prove that AR=P.
- 8. What are the conditions of equilibrium?
- 9. How is the monopolist controlled?
- 10. Write a note on bilateral monopoly.

SECTION - B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 300 WORDS (5x6=30)

- 11. Discuss risk and uncertainty theory.
- 12. Define price ,income and cross elasticities.
- 13. Briefly discuss the uses of indifference curves.
- 14. Analyse the Law of Variable Proportion.
- 15. Prove the relationship between average revenue, marginal revenue and price.
- 16. What is discriminating monopoly? Under what conditions is price discrimination possible and profitable.
- 17. How is price determined under perfect competition?

SECTION - C

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

- 18. Critically review the cob web model and Marshall's time period analysis.
- 19. Write a note on income, price and substitution effects and Slutsky's theorem.
- 20. Explain the concept of production function and discuss the production of Cobb-Douglas type.
- 21. Discuss the short and long run equilibrium of a monopolist.
