STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086 (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2008 – 09 & thereafter) SUBJECT CODE: SC/AC/HI54

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2012 BRANCH XII – ENGLISH FIFTH SEMESTER

COURSE : ALLIED - CORE PAPER : HISTORY OF IDEAS

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX.MARKS:100

SECTION - A

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN 50 WORDS

10X2=20 MARKS

- 1. Explain Amor Fati.
- 2. What is Historical Materialism?
- 3. What is meant by Absolute Idea?
- 4. Distinguish between Pour soi and En soi.
- 5. Examine the nature of the discipline of History of Ideas.
- 6. Define Social Darwinism
- 7. What is Freud's Id?
- 8. Explain "Base" and "Superstructure".
- 9. What did Nietzsche mean by "Ubermensch?"
- 10. What are the key ideas that emerged post French Revolution?

SECTION - B

ANSWER ANY FIVE IN 250 WORDS

5X8=40 MARKS

- 11. Examine Sartre's Absurdity
- 12. Explain Marxian Dialectical Materialism.
- 13. Explain the basic ideas of Rousseau's Social Contract.
- 14. Discuss Darwin's origin of species & natural selection with suitable examples.
- 15. Briefly discuss Ideological state Apparatus.
- 16. Discuss the philosophical dimensions of the Myth of Eternal Return.
- 17. Examine Freud's basic ideas
- 18. Discuss how Noble Savage is an oxymoron

SECTION - C

ANSWER ANY TWO IN 1000 WORDS

2X20=40 MARKS

- 19. Write an essay on Apollonian and Dionysian principles.
- 20. Define Alienation. Critically examine Marx's theory of class struggle.
- 21. Examine in detail the idea of Ubermensch.
- 22. Write an essay on Sartre's philosophy and the basic philosophical themes that emerge.
