STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86 (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2019– 2020 and thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 19EC/PE/ID15

M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022 BRANCH III – ECONOMICS FOURTH SEMESTER

COURSE : **ELECTIVE**

PAPER : INDUSTRIAL ECONOMICS

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION - A

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 300 WORDS.

 $(5 \times 8 = 40)$

- 1. Critically examine the alternative schools of thought.
- 2. Explain the Scope and objectives of Industrial Economics.
- 3. What are concentration curves? Critically examine the utility of concentration ratio.
- 4. Explain the Inequality measures of Concentration.
- 5. Explain the Economics of Research.
- 6. Critically examine Stigler's life cycle hypothesis.
- 7. Examine the arguments for and against monopoly power as a basis for technical progress.

SECTION – B ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1200 WORDS $(3 \times 20 = 60)$

- 8. Discuss in detail how the SCP paradigm is used as a framework of analysis in Industrial Economics and write down the criticisms of the model.
- 9. Discuss in detail the measurement criteria of market concentration.
- 10. Explain how capacity and product proliferation can be used as deterrents to entry.
- 11. Discuss in detail how Technological Interdependence and Uncertainty can provide explanations for vertical integration.
- 12. Present the views of Arrow and Demsetz on what kind of market structure provides a greater incentive to invent.
