STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 086 (For Candidates admitted during the academic year 2019 - 2020 & thereafter)

B.V.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2023 BRANCH X – VISUAL ARTS THIRD SEMESTER

COURSE: MAJOR COREPAPER: ART IN EUROPE (1280-1790)SUBJECT CODE: 19FA/MC/AE34TIME: 3 HOURSSECTION – A

MAX. MARKS: 100

ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

- 1. Jan van Eyck's painting *Giovanni Arnolfini and His Bride* is a purely secular portrait but has religious overtones. Substantiate.
- 2. *Venus, Cupid, Folly and Time* by Bronzino displays all the chief features of Mannerist painting. Justify.
- 3. In Artemisia Gentileschi's paintings the controlled highlights of the action in the foreground heighten the drama. Elucidate by critically analysing *Judith Slaying Holofernes*.
- 4. Jan Vermeer was a master of pictorial light and used it with immense virtuosity. Explain using one suitable example.
- 5. Comment on the innovations seen in Diego Velasquez's Las Meninas.
- 6. William Hogarth satirized the lifestyle of the newly prosperous middle class with comic zest. Discuss using the example *Breakfast Scene*, from *Marriage-a-la-Mode* series.

SECTION – B

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

- 7. Consider Giotto as a pioneer in pursuing a naturalistic approach to "representation based on observation" by citing two select examples.
- While Masaccio is known for his innovations in terms of representational devices, Sandro Botticelli is recognised as a great master of line and a brilliant colorist. Justify using one example for each artist.
- 9. Consider Leonardo da Vinci and Raphael as Masters of the High Renaissance with reference to the examples *Last Supper* and *School of Athens*.
- Highlight the differences in the sculptural styles of Michelangelo and Gianlorenzo Bernini with regards to their versions of *David*.

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