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

M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – APRIL 2024 BRANCH III - PHYSICS FOURTH SEMESTER

CODE : **ELECTIVE**

PAPER : MATERIAL PHYSICS AND NANOSCIENCE

SUBJECT CODE : 19PH/PE/MN15

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS : 100

 $SECTION - A (10 \times 3 = 30)$

I. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

- 1. Define nanomaterial and give an account on nano existence in nature.
- 2. Why are the properties of nanomaterials different from bulk materials?
- 3. What are the applications of Superpara magnetic materials?
- 4. Define the structure of C_{60} .
- 5. Give the principle of electric arc deposition technique.
- 6. What is the use of Langmuir-Blodgett film?
- 7. Bring out the significance of XPS in characterization of nanomaterials.
- 8. Write the principle of scanning probe microscopy.
- 9. Write a short note on quantum computing.
- 10. What is the application of nanotechnology in LED?

 $SECTION - B (5 \times 5 = 25)$

II. ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS

- 11. Discuss nanomaterials classification on the basis of its dimension.
- 12. What are excitons? Explain quantum confinement effect of nanomaterials.
- 13. Explain the fundamentals of sol-gel method of nanostructured synthesis.
- 14. Elucidate the working of an atomic force microscopy with a neat block diagram.
- 15. Write a short note on electrochemical sensors.
- 16. Briefly explain nanoparticle synthesis by spray pyrolysis method.
- 17. Discuss the working of vibrating sample magnetometer with a neat diagram.

 $SECTION - C (3 \times 15 = 45)$

III. ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

- 18. What are smart materials? Classify them and discuss its types with suitable examples.
- 19. Explain different types of Core shell nanocomposites and its structural behaviour.
- 20. Describe the principle and experimental setup of molecular beam epitaxy. Discuss its advantages and disadvantages.
- 21. Discuss the essential principle and working of a TEM with a neat block diagram
- 22. Explain the mechanism of photocatalysis and its application in environmental remediation.
