STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 086. (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2011-12)

SUBJECT CODE: 11CM/PE/EM24

M.Com. DEGREE EXAMINATION APRIL 2012 COMMERCE SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE : ELECTIVE

PAPER : ESSENTIALS OF MARKETING

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS : 100

SECTION - A

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS:

 $(5 \times 8 = 40)$

- 1. Define Marketing .Explain the Modern Marketing Concept.
- 2. How does a marketer build and sustain customer relationship?
- 3. Bring out the significance and characteristics of the various stages of the PLC.
- 4. What are the elements of the Integrated Marketing Communication?
- 5. "A Holistic marketer emphasizes three important new themes in designing a brand building program: personalization, integration and internalization". Explain.
- 6. "Price is the only element that produces revenue, the others produce cost" .Elucidate this statement in the context of the objectives of a price strategy.
- 7. Classify the intermediaries from the point of view of retailing. What are the latest trends in channel management today?
- 8. Discuss the role of effective salesmanship in modern marketing.

SECTION - B

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS:

 $(3 \times 20 = 60)$

- 9. "Within the rapidly changing global picture, marketers must be aware of six major environmental forces." Identify and explain these forces that affect the demographic and economic environment of the market.
- 10. Discuss the various promotional tools used in promoting a brand. Illustrate with relevant examples.
- 11. "At the heart of a great brand is a great product. A new product is a key element in the market offering". Bring out the essence of this statement by enumerating the various stages in the process of new product development.
- 12. Explain and elaborate the following terms:

1. Public Relations 2. Promotion mix

3. Brand equity 4. Customer Relationships

13. Bring out the nature and importance of marketing channel members.
