

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 0086
(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2025 – 2026)

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2026
BRANCH I A – HISTORY AND TOURISM
SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE : CORE

PAPER : HISTORY OF TAMIL NADU UP TO THE NINETEENTH CENTURY

SUBJECT CODE :25HS/MC/TN25

TIME :3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

Q. No.	SECTION A (4 × 5 = 20) Answer any FOUR questions in not more than 250 words each.	CO	KL
1	What do you know about the pre-history of Tamil Nadu?	1	1
2	What are archaeological sources? Give examples for Tamil Nadu.	1	1
3	What is Vaishnavism? Write an outline of its history in Tamil Nadu.	1	1
4	What are the main features of Chola administration?	1	1
5	What were the cultural contributions of the Nayaks?	1	1
Q. No.	SECTION B (4 × 5 = 20) Answer any FOUR questions in not more than 250 words each.	CO	KL
6	Describe the five divisions of land in ancient Tamilaham.	2	2
7	Explain the features of Pallava architecture.	2	2
8	Explain the significance of the Bhakti Movement, and its impact on Hinduism.	2	2
9	Describe the work of the Madras Mahajana Sabha and the Madras Native Association	2	2
10	Describe the rule of the Pandya dynasty.	2	2
Q. No.	SECTION C (2 × 10 = 20) Answer any TWO questions in not more than 500 words each.	CO	KL
11	Show how literary sources can be used to study the history of Tamil Nadu.	3	3
12	Outline the history of Jainism in Tamil Nadu.	3	3
13	Discuss the history of the press in Tamil Nadu.	3	3

14	Explain the causes of the Poligar Wars.	3	3
Q. No.	SECTION D (2 × 10 = 20) Answer any TWO questions in not more than 500 words each.	CO	KL
15	Analyze the geographical features of the Tamil land and discuss its impact on history.	4	4
16	Describe the history of the Nayankara system.	4	4
17	Explain the history of Buddhism in Tamil Nadu.	4	4
18	Analyze the causes and consequences of the Vellore Mutiny.	4	4
Q. No.	SECTION E (2× 10 = 20) Answer any TWO questions in not more than 500 words each.	CO	KL
19	Write an essay on the women of the Sangam Age.	5	5
20	Critically evaluate the contributions of Rajaraja Chola and Rajendra Chola.	5	5
21	Evaluate the achievements of the Vijayanagar Empire.	5	5
22	Write an essay on the growth of education in Tamil Nadu.	5	5
