

**STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 086**  
**(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2011 – 12)**  
**SUBJECT CODE: 11IS/PC/AP44**

**M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2013**  
**BRANCH II (E) – INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**  
**FOURTH SEMESTER**

**COURSE : CORE**  
**PAPER : THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER IN THE ASIA PACIFIC**  
**TIME : 3 HOURS** **MAX. MARKS: 100**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS IN ABOUT 1500 WORDS EACH** (5x20=100)

1. Democratisation of the Asia Pacific region poses a major challenge-Critically evaluate the statement with relevant examples
2. Can ASEAN or the ASEAN Regional Forum be regarded as independent actors with the institutional capacity to reshape relations between states in the region from being a security regime to a security community-Discuss
3. South China Sea dispute are regularly identified by security analysts as one of the major flash points in the Asia Pacific- Discuss
4. States in the Asia Pacific region are multilaterally and bilaterally engaging with China, but at the same time working to ensure the continued presence of external powers to balance the rising China. Examine the statement in the context of Balance of Power theory and its relevance in the Asia Pacific.
5. Traditional Sources of concern over energy security, such as the importance of free and secure Sea Lanes of Communication (SLOC) continue to challenge the states in the Asia Pacific Region- Analyse
6. The end of cold war witnessed the emergence of second nuclear age created by the expansion of nuclear arsenals and new proliferation in Asia Pacific- Explain
7. Discuss the geo-political and geo-economic significance of the Asia Pacific region.
8. Critically examine the causal factors behind the growth of ethno nationalist, secessionist sentiments and the outbreak of violent ethnic conflicts in Southeast Asia.
9. Constructivism is a social theory of international politics focusing on the role of ideas, norms, knowledge and identity in constituting state behavior-Examine the relevance of the theory of constructivism in the context of Asia Pacific
10. What exactly would economic integration in East Asia entail and to what extent it could be pursued?

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