# STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86 (For candidates admitted from the academic year 2009 – 10)

## SUBJECT CODE: EC/PE/CI43

## M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2011 BRANCH III – ECONOMICS FOURTH SEMESTER

COURSE	: ELECTIVE		
PAPER	: CONTEMPORARY ECONOMIC	ISSUES	
TIME	: 3 HOURS	MAX. MAKS:	100

#### SECTION – A

# ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWERS NOT TO EXCEED 300 WORDS.

(5 X 8 = 40)

- 1. Explain the concept of a mixed economy.
- 2. What are the features of a federal state? What is fiscal federalism?
- 3. Analyse the various types of unemployment in India.
- 4. Examine the main elements of the tax structure in India
- 5. Write short notes on any two:
  - a) Special Economic Zones
  - b) LPG model
  - c) Human Poverty Index
  - d) Micro credit
- 6. What are the barriers to international trade?
- 7. Discuss the various kinds of inequalities prevalent in India
- 8. Distinguish between globalization and glocalisation.

#### SECTION – B

# ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWERS NOT TO EXCEED 1200 WORDS. (3 X 20 = 60)

- 9. Examine the views of Amartya Sen on equality, freedom and justice.
- 10. Discuss the impact of globalization on the Indian Economy.
- 11. Define the concept of security. What are the threats to security faced by Indians?
- 12. Critically review the role played by IMF, World Bank and the WTO.
- 13. Estimate the magnitude of poverty in India. Suggest measures to alleviate poverty.