STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086 (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2008 –2009)

SUBJECT CODE: FA/MC/TW64

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2011 BRANCH – X – VISUAL ARTS SIXTH SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE

PAPER : TWENTIETH CENTURY ART IN THE WEST

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION - A

ANSWER ANY FOUR OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS: (4X10 = 40)

- 1. The Fauves were most interested in the pictorial possibilities of pure colors. Elucidate using one suitable example by Henri Matisse.
- 2. Les Demoiselles D' Avignon is considered to be crucial to the history of twentieth century painting. Elaborate.
- 3. How does Giacomo Balla achieve the effect of motion in his works?
- 4. Op art was a reaction to Pop art, in that it swings back to abstraction. Justify.
- 5. Brancusi sought to exemplify not the outward form, but the idea, the essence in his sculptures. Elaborate.
- 6. What are the characteristic of Louis Sullivan's architecture? Illustrate with suitable examples.

SECTION B

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

 $(3 \times 20 = 60)$

- 7. The paintings of Wassily Kandinsky and Piet Mondrian challenged prevailing artistic conventions and moved into the realm of abstraction. Explain using select examples.
- 8. Explain Surrealism and discuss the contribution of Salvador Dali to Surrealism.
- 9. Both Alberto Giacometti and Henry Moore chose to depict the human figure, yet they differed in their approach and style. Elucidate.
- 10. Discuss the organic and sculptural qualities evident in Frank Lloyd Wright's architecture as against the purist form emphasized by Mies van der Rohe.
