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

SUBJECT CODE: 11IS/PE/ME34

M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2013 BRANCH II (E) - INTERNATIONAL STUDIES THIRD SEMESTER

COURSE : ELECTIVE

PAPER : GOVERNMENT & POLITICS OF MIDDLE EAST

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION - A (5 X 8 = 40)

WRITE SHORT NOTES ON ANY FIVE. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 300 WORDS:

1. Middle East

- 2. Arab Nationalism
- 3. Wahhabism
- 4. Iran-Iraq war
- 5. Gulf War- I
- 6. Intifada
- 7. Iranian Revolution and establishment of Theocracy
- 8. Democratization in the Middle East

SECTION - B (4 X 10 = 40)

ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1500 WORDS:

- 9. Discuss the significance of oil politics in the Middle East.
- 10. Examine the role of Religion in the Middle East.
- 11. Discuss the Nationalisation strategy of Egypt and its modernisation.
- 12. Assess the role played by the USA in the Middle East.
- 13. What are the economic challenges faced by the countries of the Middle East?
- 14. Write a brief note on the Global War on Terror on the Middle East.
- 15. Examine the case for Palestinian Statehood.

SECTION - C (1 X 20 = 20)

ANSWER ANY ONE QUESTION. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1000 WORDS:

- 16. Examine the stumbling blocks to the Middle East Peace Process.
- 17. Discuss India's interests and role in the Middle East.
- 18. Critically analyze the factors that led to the Arab Spring.