

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086
(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2008-09 & thereafter)
SUBJECT CODE: SC/MC/RD54

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2011
BRANCH III – SOCIOLOGY
FIFTH SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR – CORE
PAPER : RURAL DEVELOPMENT
TIME : 3 HOURS **MAX.MARKS:100**

SECTION – A

I. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN 50 WORDS EACH. (10X2=20)

1. Define rural society.
2. State any two characteristics of rural education.
3. What is meant by bonded labour?
4. What are SEZs?
5. Differentiate caste panchayat from village panchayat.
6. Who are Dalits?
7. Mention the objectives of the constitution of Panchayati Raj.
8. Write a note on “digital divide”.
9. Define rural development.
10. What is green revolution?

SECTION – B

II. ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS IN 250 WORDS EACH. (5X8=40)

11. Describe the rural economic structure.
12. Explain the causes and consequences of rural unemployment.
13. Explain the reasons for rural indebtedness.
14. Highlight the importance of SHGs in the empowerment of rural women.
15. Elucidate the role of NGOs in the development of rural areas.
16. Bring out the significance of religion in rural society.
17. Briefly explain the basic characteristics of village cooperatives.
18. Analyze the reasons and importance of rural development in India.

SECTION – C

III. ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN 1000 WORDS EACH. (2X20=40)

19. Bring out the features of rural family and kinship and analyse the causes for the changing trends in the family structure in villages.
20. Describe the rural social stratification and the analyse the present status of caste in rural India.
21. Trace the emergence of panchayati raj and explain its functions.
22. Describe the nature and scope of rural development.
