STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 86 (For Candidates admitted during the academic year 2004 – 2005 & thereafter) SUBJECT CODE: EC/MC/FE54

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2007 BRANCH IV – ECONOMICS FIFTH SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE

PAPER : FISCAL ECONOMICS - I

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX.MARKS : 100

SECTION - A

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 50 WORDS:

 $(10 \times 3 = 30)$

- 1. What is Fiscal Economics?
- 2. What is a Grant?
- 3. Differentiate between a Merit and Non-Merit good.
- 4. Give the meaning of taxable capacity.
- 5. Define a public sector. How is it different from a private sector?
- 6. What are Optional and obligatory expenditures?
- 7. Define a Mixed Economy?
- 8. Give the meaning of an effective incidence of a tax?
- 9. What is an Escheat?
- 10. What is the meaning of Unearned Income?

SECTION - B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 300 WORDS: (5 X 6 = 30)

- 11. Briefly explain the difference between the classical and the Keynesian view regarding the scope of Public finance
- 12. What are the factors affecting incidence of a tax?
- 13. Explain briefly the effects of public expenditure on distribution and stabilization in the economy?
- 14. What are the various defects of Indian Tax structure?
- 15. Explain the different sources of Public Revenue?
- 16. Bring out the drawbacks of Public Sector units.
- 17. What are the factors that determine the taxable capacity of an individual?

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SECTION - C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1200 WORDS: $(2 \times 20 = 40)$

- 18. Critically evaluate the Indian Tax reforms with reference to Raja chelliah's Committee Report?
- 19. Explain the Ability to pay principle of public expenditure with the help of figures?
- 20. Bring out the important role of public sector in a Mixed Economy like India?
- 21. Examine the incidence of taxes under different market conditions?
