

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 2014
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. Arab Nationalism
2. Political culture in of West Asia
3. Wahhabism
4. Religion in West Asia
5. Oil Politics
6. Palestine problem
7. Al Qaeda
8. Arab Spring

SECTION – B **(4 X 10 = 40)**

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

9. Briefly trace the history of the emergence of the Middle East
10. Discuss the Political Economy of the Middle East.
11. Assess the position of Israel in the Middle East.
12. Examine the causes for the Iran-Iraq war of the 1980s.
13. Assess the success and failures of modernization in Egypt.
14. Discuss the US role in the Middle East Peace Process.
15. Analyse the problems posed by Iran's Nuclear Program.

SECTION – C **(1 X 20 = 20)**

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

16. Examine the challenges to Democratization in the Middle East.
17. Critically analyse India's interests and role in the Middle East.
18. Discuss the problems of religious fundamentalism and terrorism emanating from the Middle East.
