## STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086 (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2009 – 10 & thereafter) SUBJECT CODE: IS/PC/IH14

### M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2010 BRANCH II (E) - INTERNATIONAL STUDIES FIRST SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE

PAPER : INTERNATIONAL HISTORY 1648 - 1945

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

#### SECTION - A

# ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 300 WORDS: (5 X 8 = 40)

- 1. Define the State, the Nation and the Nation State.
- 2. Bring out the importance of Rousseau's 'Social Contract'.
- 3. Why did the industrial revolution take place?
- 4. Examine the causes responsible for the outbreak of the 'French Revolution'.
- 5. How the 'Balance of Power' was defined and followed by Metternich.
- 6. The 'Big Four' played a major role during the Versailles Conference substantiate.
- 7. Enumerate the reasons for the failure of the League of Nations.
- 8. Discuss the core components of 'Nazism' and 'Fascism'.

#### SECTION - B

# ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1500 WORDS: (3 X 20 = 60)

- 9. Assess the importance of Westphalia and the emergence of modern Nationstates.
- 10. American War of Independence was the forerunner to all the other revolutions that followed Explain.
- 11. Compare the Unification of Italy with that of Germany and the role of both after the Unification in the European politics.
- 12. Describe the circumstances leading to the First World War and why Russia did not participate effectively to the needs of allied powers.
- 13. Highlight the importance of 'The Atlantic Charter, Yalta, Postdam and San Francisco'.