# STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 086 (For candidates admitted from the academic year 2008–09 & thereafter)

**SUBJECT CODE: PR/PC/CO24** 

# M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2009 PUBLIC RELATIONS SECOND SEMESTER

**COURSE : MAJOR - CORE** 

PAPER: PUBLIC RELATIONS FOR AND IN THE CORPORATE

**SECTOR** 

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

#### SECTION - A

### ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN NOT LESS THAN 50 WORDS: $(10 \times 2 = 20)$

- 1. Identify some current public service campaigns exhorting people to vote, and explain how they can benefit the organizations that are running them.
- 2. Give the main impediments to full implementation of the Right To information Act (RTI)?
- 3. What are the best ways to stay connected with editors of newspapers?
- 4. How do business organizations benefit through membership in industry associations?
- 5. When will you suggest press conference rather than a press release as a means of communication to the media?
- 6. How can Annual Reports be used to build corporate image?
- 7. What is the importance of dealer conferences in Marketing?
- 8. What role can embassies play in promoting a country's exports?
- 9. What is the impact of the Internet on consumerism?
- 10. How can a website be used for shareholder communication?

#### SECTION - B

## ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS IN NOT LESS THAN 250 WORDS: $(5 \times 8 = 40)$

- 11. Discuss a "green campaign" that you found impactful.
- 12. Critique Barak Obama's address after taking oath as the President of the USA.
- 13. Do a critical appraisal of the "Incredible India" campaign.
- 14. Explain the importance of events as a means of internal communication. What makes events impactful?
- 15. Discuss, with examples, the use of children in TV commercials.

- 16. How will you use media coverage to publicise a new laptop that weighs only 500 gms?
- 17. If you are the Communications Manager of a full-facility Hospital, how would you plan a media visit?

# **SECTION - C**

# ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN NOT LESS THAN 1000 WORDS: (2 X 20 = 40)

- 18. Discuss the pressures on business organisatons form its various stakeholders.
- 19. Illustrate with the example of Vijay Mallya, how the CEO and business brands can be built synergistically.
- 20. Prepare a note to the management of Cognizant Technologies on the relative merits of a printed 12 page employee monthly journal and its e-journal alternative. Propose the content mix.
- 21. Critique the website of any business organization or an NGO, bringing out the aspects that make for effective web communication.

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