STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 086. (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2011-12 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 11PH/ME/NS63

B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION APRIL 2015 BRANCH III - PHYSICS SIXTH SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR ELECTIVE PAPER : NANO SCIENCE

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS : 100

Section-A 10X3=30

Answer all Questions:

- 1. What are one dimensional nanomaterials?
- 2. What are Fermi surfaces?
- 3. What are quantum dots? Give an example of quantum dots.
- 4. What are surface plasmons?
- 5. Give any two advantages of sol gel synthesis.
- 6. What do you mean by monodispersity?
- 7. What is a copper grid?
- 8. What is meant by photoluminescence?
- 9. Briefly explain targeted nano-drug delivery.
- 10. What is Schotty barrier?

Section-B 5X6=30

Answer any Five Questions:

- 11. Compare the band structure of metals, semiconductors and insulators with necessary diagrams.
- 12. Why the surface to volume ratio is very large for nanoparticles compared to bulk materials? Explain with simple example.
- 13. What are fullerenes? Explain the various properties of fullerenes.
- 14. What is hypothermal synthesis? Explain its advantages.
- 15. What are the differences between top down approach and bottom up approach in synthesis of nanoparticles.
- 16. Explain the Bragg's law of diffraction with necessary diagrams.
- 17. What are solar cells? How are nanomaterials effective in the fabrication of solar cells?

Section-C 2X20=40

Answer any Two Questions:

- 18. Explain in detail the structural, surface, electronic and optical properties of metal nanoparticles.
- 19. What is co-precipitation? Explain the synthesis procedure for the same.
- 20. How do you characterise a material with Transmission Electron Microcopy (TEM) with a neat sketch.
- 21. What is bio-compatibility? Explain how bio-compatible materials are applied in the field of medicine.