STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 86 (For Candidates admitted during the academic year 2008 – 2009 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: EC/MC/ME14

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2010 BRANCH IV – ECONOMICS FIRST SEMESTER

COURSE	: MAJOR – CORE
PAPER	: MICRO ECONOMICS - I
TIME	: 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION – A

ANSWER ALL TEN QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 50 WORDS (10 X 3 - 30)

(10 X 3 = 30)

- 1. State the Law of Demand.
- 2. What is meant by Indifference Curve?
- 3. What is Substitution Effect?
- 4. Define elasticity of demand.
- 5. Define the Law of Diminishing Returns.
- 6. What is meant by Production Function?
- 7. What is Marginal Cost?
- 8. What is a firm?
- 9. Mention different types of Price Discrimination.
- 10. What is imperfect competition?

SECTION – B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 300 WORDS (5x6=30)

- 11. Explain the Law of Diminishing Marginal Utility.
- 12. What are the characteristics of an Indifference Curve?
- 13. Discuss the role and significance of elasticity of demand.
- 14. Explain the Law of Variable proportions.
- 15. Distinguish between Market Price and Normal Price.
- 16. Bring out the main features of perfect competition.
- 17. Distinguish between Production Costs and Selling Costs.

SECTION – C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1200 WORDS (2x20=40)

- 18. Explain the methods of measuring elasticity of demand.
- 19. What is Consumer Surplus? Analyse the importance and its usefulness.
- 20. Explain Price determination under perfect competition
- 21. What is Price Discrimination? When is it possible and profitable?
