STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 086 (For candidates admitted from the academic year 2006–07 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: PR/PC/GR44

M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2008 PUBLIC RELATIONS FOURTH SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE

PAPER : PUBLIC RELATIONS THEORY – IV: GOVERNMENT

RELATIONS

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION - A

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

- 1. What are the arms of the Government?
- 2. Who are the Publics of government?
- 3. What is Lobbying?
- 4. What is the difference between traditional and professional lobbyist?
- 5. What are interest groups?
- 6. Why is legislature important in Government Relations?
- 7. What are the methods of communication to register protest with government?
- 8. How does the government inform public on any two measures taken by it?
- 9. What are the advantages of hearings and meetings?
- 10. Is it important to know about taxation? Give two reasons.

SECTION - B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS IN NOT LESS THAN 250 WORDS: (5 X 8 = 40)

- 11. Government is big business? Discuss with examples.
- 12. Is lobbying unethical? Discuss your answer with examples.
- 13. How do PR people work with government departments and legislators?
- 14. "Women's groups have become important pressure groups". Elucidate.
- 15. Why do PR people have to know about legislations and ordinances?
- 16. How do advertisements and publicity act as tools of governmental PR? Illustrate.

- 17. Why should government bother about social issues like environment?
- 18. In government, how do you win acceptance of the PR function? Give four examples.

SECTION - C

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

- 19. You are appointed a PRO of the State Transport Corporation? It lacks good image due to not meeting the demands of passengers. How will you create a better image with a PR campaign?
- 20. Define lobbying, public affairs and interest groups and how are these relevant to government relations?
- 21. Analyze the importance of having good public opinion for a public cause and how these are formed and utilized?
- 22. "To run a good government department, PR is indispensable". How can you practice PR as a PR consultant for the Income Tax department?
