STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 86 (For candidates admitted during the academic year 2015–16)

SUBJECT CODE: 15EC/PC/IT24

M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2016 BRANCH III – ECONOMICS SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE PAPER : INTERNATIONAL TRADE TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION – A

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

- 1. State Stopler-Samuelson theorem. Write down the gist of the theorem.
- 2. Describe the product cycle hypothesis. Explain the development and marketing of newly invented product in the world economy.
- 3. Elucidate Prebisch-Singer hypothesis and portray its implications.
- 4. What are the effects of various trade policy instruments?
- 5. What is meant by disequilibrium in balance of payments? What constitute credit and debit items?
- 6. What were the fundamental principles of GATT?
- 7. List out some of the important anti-globalisation arguments.

SECTION – B

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER NOT TO EXCEED 1200 WORDS. (3 x 20 = 60)

- 8. Give a geometric treatment to the Heckscher Ohlin Model. List out the findings of empirical studies conducted to test the validity of the model.
- 9. State Rybezynski theorem. Explain it with the help of a diagram. Argue that this does not supplant but supplement the Heckscher-Ohlin theorem.
- 10. Distinguish between Free Trade and Protection. Bring out various economic arguments for protection.
- 11. a) Write short notes on
 - (i) Adjustable Peg (ii) Crowling Peg and (iii) Wider Band Exchange Systems
 - b) Examine various alternative approaches to Balance of Payments Policy.
- 12. Elaborate the features of World Trade Organisation. State its objectives and functions.
