

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086
(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2015 – 2016 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 15IS/PE/ME14

M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016
BRANCH II (E) - INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
FIRST SEMESTER

COURSE : ELECTIVE
PAPER : GOVERNMENT & POLITICS OF MIDDLE EAST
TIME : 3 HOURS **MAX. MARKS: 100**

SECTION – A **(5 X 8 = 40)**

WRITE SHORT NOTES ON ANY FIVE. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 300 WORDS:

1. Arab spring
2. Oil Politics
3. Iranian revolution of 1979
4. Formation of Israel
5. Autocracy in West Asia
6. Wahhabi Movement
7. Russia in the Middle East
8. Iran-Iraq War

SECTION – B **(4 X 10 = 40)**

ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1500 WORDS:

9. What are the roots of Arab Nationalism?
10. Discuss the political culture in the Middle East.
11. Examine the theocracy of Iran
12. Discuss the security challenges faced by Israel.
13. Trace the role of the US in the Middle East.
14. Write a note on Gulf War I & II
15. Is the Middle East the 'fountain head' of International Terrorism? Discuss.

SECTION – C **(1 X 20 = 20)**

ANSWER ANY ONE QUESTION. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1000 WORDS:

16. Critically examine the nature of the Society and the role played by Religion in the Middle East.
17. Discuss the challenges to political stability in the Middle East.
18. Examine India's role and interests in the Middle East.
