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

SUBJECT CODE: 15EC/PC/MI24

M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2017 BRANCH III – ECONOMICS SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR - CORE

PAPER : MICRO ECONOMIC ANALYSIS -II

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION - A

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

- 1. Highlight the essential comparisons between Cournot and Bertrand models of Duopoly.
- 2. Elucidate the concept of 'condition of entry' introduced by Bain.
- 3. How does Euler's Theorem explain Product Exhaustion Theorem?
- 4. Do labour Laws in India act as constraints to employment generation?
- 5. Why Walrasian model be considered as general equilibrium model?
- 6. What are the basic conditions necessary for the existence of social welfare function?
- 7. What are wage differentials?
- 8. What is called market failure? Explain.

SECTION - B

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

- 9. What according to Baumol is the attitude of a firm towards its competitors in day-today decision making? How does he substantiate this? Illustrate Baumol's single product model without advertising and bring out its important predictions.
- 10. How do you get the supply curve of labour? What are the important differences between supply curve of a commodity and supply curve of labour in a perfectly competitive market? Discuss.
- 11. What is game theory? Explain maxi-min, mini-max, saddle point solutions with examples.
- 12. Explain the 2 x 2 x 2 model of general equilibrium.
- 13. "Externalities are the classic case of market failure". Explain this statement with examples of positive and negative externalities.
