

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

SUBJECT CODE: 15IS/PC/TR24

M. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2017
BRANCH II (E) – INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE : CORE
PAPER : THEORIES AND ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
TIME : 3 HOURS **MAX. MARKS: 100**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS OF THE FOLLOWING. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY
EQUAL MARKS. EACH ANSWER SHOULD NOT EXCEED 1500 WORDS:**

(5 X 20 = 100)

1. Discuss the Nature, Scope and Functions of IR Theory. What are the uses and limitations of IR Theory in the Real World of International Relations?
2. Examine the conflict between Traditionalism and Behavioralism in IR Theory?
3. Assess the importance and limitations of Realism in IR Theory and Practice.
4. Discuss the principles and prescriptions of Liberalism and Neo Liberalism as IR Theories.
5. Examine the role played by the 'Nation-State' historically. What are the challenges faced by the Nation-State in the contemporary World?
6. Discuss the concept of 'National Interest'? How is National Interest defined, articulated and operationalized in modern Democracies?
7. Examine the success and failures of efforts towards Nuclear Non-Proliferation? Is a 'Nuclear weapons free World' possible?
8. Analyse the theory, practice and relevance of Balance of Power in the present World Order.
9. Discuss the major emerging Issues in International Relations such as Environment, Human Rights and Gender Justice.
10. Examine the Constructivist and Post-Modernist Approaches to IR Theory.
