

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 86
(For Candidates admitted during the academic year 2015 – 2016 and thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 15EC/PC/PE34

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2017
BRANCH III – ECONOMICS
THIRD SEMESTER

COURSE : CORE
PAPER : PUBLIC ECONOMICS - I
TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX.MARKS: 100

SECTION – A

I. ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. (5X8=40)

1. Distinguish between Pareto Optimality and Pareto Efficiency.
2. Define public goods. Why markets fail to provide international public goods?
3. Describe the theory of optimal distribution.
4. Find out the relationship between unanimity rule and Pareto improvements.
5. The rent seeking idea arises from the linkage of neoclassical economics...” – Explain.
6. Assess the role of public sector in India.
7. Distinguish between ability to pay and benefit approach of taxation.

SECTION – B

II. ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS. (3X20=60)

8. Elucidate the principles that make an efficient conduct of public household.
9. How does an economy provide national public goods in practice?
10. Describe Arrow's Impossibility Theorem. Discuss the extensions and reinterpretations of the theory.
11. Discuss the structure and growth of public expenditure in India.
12. Elaborate different types of indirect taxes of India. Is Goods and Services Tax an improvement over the cluster of indirect taxes?
