STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 086 (For Candidates admitted during the academic year 2015–16 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: 15FA/MC/BA14

B.V.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2018 BRANCH X – VISUAL ARTS FIRST SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR CORE

PAPER : BUDDHIST ART IN INDIA

TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS: 100

SECTION - A

ANSWER ANY FOUR OF THE FOLLOWING

 $(4 \times 10 = 40)$

- 1. Critically evaluate the cave paintings of Bhimbetka.
- 2. Explain the plan and elevation of the Chaitya Hall in Bhaja.
- 3. Comment on the purpose of a vihara and write about the plan and elevation of Ajanta Cave No.1.
- 4. The Ashoka Pillar of Sarnath has vitality and force in its conception, elucidate.
- 5. Write short notes on the following:
 - a. Mahakapi Jataka, Bharhut
 - b. Veneration of Buddha's Begging Bowl, Amaravati
- 6. The 'Seated Buddha', at Sarnath is a sculptural marvel. Elaborate.

SECTION - B

ANSWER ANY THREE OF THE FOLLOWING

 $(3 \times 20 = 60)$

- 7. Justify that the remains of the Indus Valley Civilisation had highly developed architecture.
- 8. Critically appraise the Stupa No. 1 at Sanchi and comment on its sculptural achievement.
- 9. The Greco-Roman influence transformed the style of Buddhist art in India. Validate using suitable examples from Gandhara sculpture.
- 10. The Ajanta Caves 10 and 17 display mural paintings that depict episodes from the life of the Buddha, and scenes from the Jataka tales. Elucidate.