#### -- PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE (AUTONOMOUS)

#### **BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2017**

(Second Semester)

## Branch - PHYSICS

#### **ASTROPHYSICS**

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

# SECTION-A (20 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

 $(10 \times 2 = 20)$ 

- 1 State Period-Luminosity law.
- 2 What is mean by Galactic system?
- 3 What are Asteroids?
- 4 State any two physical properties of Stars.
- 5 Give the equation of thermal equilibrium.
- 6 What are called free-free transition?
- 7 What is meant by Star formation?
- 8 What is Jean's criterion for self-gravitation?
- 9 What is known as proton-proton chein?
- 10 What is thermonuclear fusion?

## SECTION - B (25 Marks)

#### Answer ALL Questions

## ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

11 a Explain Secular Parallax method of determining stellar distances.

#### OR

b Explain trigonometric parallax method of determining star distances.

12 a Explain about Black hole.

OR

b How will you estimate the surface temperature of the sun?

13 a Write a note on Schwarzschild's model for real stars.

OR

b Obtain an equation of energy transfer.

- 14 a Explain about nuclear time scale.
  - OR

b Explain the effect of hydrogen depletion in the star.

15 a Explain CN cycle.

#### OR

b Explain about the second generation stars.

## SECTION - C (30 Marks!

# Answer any **THREE** Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$ 

END

- 16 Explain the universal equatorial system in detail.
- 17 Describe with a neat diagram, the construction and working of Refracting telescope.
- 18 Explain with theory the homologous model for main sequence stars.
- 19 State and prove the Virial theorem.
- 20 Explain (i) Equilibrium theory and
  - (ii) Non equilibrium theory of nucleosynthesis.

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