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Second Semester L.L.M. Degree Examination, July 2026

Maritime Law

Paper I – INTERNATIONAL LAW OF THE SEA

(2024 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 60

Answer **all** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Explain the rights and duties of Coastal and other states under Maritime law.

OR

2. Trace the rich maritime history of India from the Vedic period through the subsequent maritime expeditions. Elucidate the present position of India as a country of maritime significance.

3. "The history of the Law of the Sea is a history of the struggle between the ideologies of *Mare Liberum* and *Mare Clausum*." Critically analyze this statement in the light of the evolution of UNCLOS.

OR

4. Elucidate the application of Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction within maritime boundaries by States.

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5. Highlight the principles governing the exploration and exploitation of resources in Sea bed and Ocean floor.

OR

6. "The High Seas are a 'Global Commons' where the Flag State holds primary authority." Critically comment. What are the exceptions to such Flag State exclusivity?
7. Examine the legal framework for Marine Scientific Research . How does the UNCLOS protect the sovereign rights of the coastal states in this context? What are the exceptions?

OR

8. Discuss the scope of protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage under international law.
9. Elucidate the role of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea in the matter of use of force at sea. Clarify your position with the help of relevant authorities.

OR

10. Examine the Dispute Settlement Mechanism under UNCLOS and elucidate its role in the maintenance of international peace and security at sea.

(5 × 12 = 60 Marks)