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**Ninth Semester B.A. LL.B./B.Com. LL.B./B.B.A. LL.B (Five Year Integrated)  
Degree Examination, December 2025**

**Paper I – PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW**

**(2011 to 2019 Admission)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

**PART – I**

- I. Explain any **five** of the following. Each question carries **2** marks. Answer should not exceed **50** words each.
1. Explain *Lex loci celebrationis*.
  2. Maritime torts.
  3. Write about the status of illegitimate child.
  4. *Forum conveniens*.
  5. Foreign arbitral awards.
  6. What is the doctrine of double renvoi?
  7. What is theory of territoriality?

**(5 × 2 = 10 Marks)**

**PART – II**

- II. Answer any **four** of the following. Each question carries **4** marks. Answer should not exceed **120** words each.
8. Explain the concept of public policy as a ground for refusal of recognition of foreign law.
  9. What is the significance of personal law in Indian Private International Law?
  10. What is the principle of *lex situs* in property matters?
  11. Define and explain the rule of double actionability in torts.
  12. What are the basic requirements for proof of foreign law in Indian courts?

**(4 × 4 = 16 Marks)**

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### PART – III

III. Answer any **four** of the following. Each question carries **6** marks.

13. A couple, both Indian citizens but domiciled in the US, enter into a same-sex marriage abroad. They later return to India and seek spousal benefits. Indian authorities deny the same. Can Indian courts recognize the marriage? Examine in light of evolving global trends.
14. A foreign national challenges an Indian judgment regarding custody of his child, claiming violation of international conventions and the child's habitual residence in the UK. The Indian court had exercised jurisdiction based on the child's nationality. Is the jurisdiction proper?
15. A foreign plaintiff initiates a defamation suit against an Indian newspaper in a UK court, and a judgment is obtained. The newspaper refuses to honour the judgment in India. Analyse whether Indian courts will recognize such a tort-based foreign decree.
16. An Indian woman dies intestate, leaving property in India and Germany. Her German husband claims rights over the immovable property in India based on German law. How should the Indian court deal with the conflict of laws?
17. A contract between a Japanese company and an Indian firm stipulates that all disputes will be governed by Japanese law and adjudicated in Tokyo. The Indian firm wants to invoke Indian law claiming hardship. Discuss the applicability of proper law of contract.

(4 × 6 = 24 Marks)

### PART – IV

IV. Answer any **three** of the following. Each question carries **10** marks.

18. Describe the role of procedure and evidence in Private International Law. How is foreign law proved and applied by Indian courts?
19. What is renvoi? Critically discuss its applicability and challenges in Private International Law.
20. Discuss the jurisdictional principles applicable to matrimonial causes involving foreign elements.
21. Explain the principles of conflict of laws in torts with reference to Indian and foreign legal systems.

(3 × 10 = 30 Marks)