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**FIVE YEAR INTEGRATED B.A., B.B.A., B.Com., LL.B. (HONOURS) DEGREE
EXAMINATION, MARCH 2026**

Tenth Semester

F.L. 34—MARITIME LAW

(Special Supplementary—2020 Admissions Only)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

Write short notes on any five of the following.

Each question carries 3 marks.

1. Maritime Zones under UNCLOS.
2. Maritime Liens and priority.
3. Hague-Visby Rules.
4. Key Clauses in Charterparties.
5. Passing of risk in FOB Contracts.
6. Subrogation and Contribution in Marine Insurance.

(5 × 3 = 15 marks)

Part B

Answer any three of the following problems.

Each question carries 10 marks.

7. The master of a Maltèse ship refuses to stop for inspection by the Indian Coast Guard beyond 200 nautical miles on suspicion of drug trafficking. Is the Coast Guard justified in using force under UNCLOS ?
8. The consignee demands delivery of goods at the discharge port but fails to present the original bill of lading. The carrier releases the goods upon an indemnity letter, but the true holder of the bill of lading later sues. Is the carrier liable for wrongful delivery ? Analyse in light of bill of lading as a document of title.

Turn over

9. A ship registered in India commits marine pollution in the high seas. Can India exercise jurisdiction over its own vessel under provisions of UNCLOS and of the Merchant Shipping Act ?
10. A cargo policy is assigned by the assured to a bank after the cargo is reported missing at sea. The insurer disputes the bank's right to sue. Is assignment after loss valid ? Can the assignee enforce the claim ?

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Part C

Answer any two of the following questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

11. "The concept of flag State jurisdiction under UNCLOS is increasingly undermined by globalized maritime commerce, open registries, and transnational crimes at sea." Critically examine this statement in the Indian context. Discuss how the Merchant Shipping Act addresses substandard shipping, liability and compensation regimes, crew welfare and labour rights, maritime piracy and security obligations.
12. "Ocean pollution is an important, but insufficiently recognized and inadequately controlled component of global pollution." Discuss the major causes and effects of maritime pollution and also discuss briefly the international efforts to prevent ocean pollution.
13. What are the special features of a marine insurance contract ? What is the doctrine of 'proximate cause' with reference to marine insurance ? Explain in detail.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)