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(HONOURS) DEGREE EXAMINATION, AUGUST 2025**

Tenth Semester

F.L. 34—MARITIME LAW

(2020 Admissions—Regular/2018 and 2019 Admissions—Supplementary)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

*Write short notes on any five.
Each question carries 3 marks.*

1. Merchant Shipping Act.
2. Flag Jurisdiction.
3. National Ports.
4. Coast Guard.
5. Salvage.
6. Indemnity.

(5 × 3 = 15 marks)

Part B

*Answer any three questions.
Each question carries 10 marks.*

7. Stopping and anchoring of a Foreign vessel Fs, in the territorial waters of the coastal state Cs, were necessary only in so far as the same were incidental to or were rendered necessary by distress. The passage of the foreign vessel Fs was not prejudicial to the peace, good order or security of the Coastal State Cs. But the Coastal State objected such passage. The foreign vessel pleaded the right of innocent passage as its defence. Decide whether the plea will succeed.
8. A fishing boat belonging to the citizens of State, A ran into a Foreign vessel which was having innocent passage through the territorial waters of State A and caused damage to itself and injury to some of the fishermen engaged in fishing in the territorial waters. State A claims damages from the foreign vessel for the injury caused to its fishermen and the damage happened to the fishing boat. Examine the maintainability of the State action.

Turn over

9. Two Foreign vessels collide on the High Seas at a distance of more than 12 nautical miles measured from the Indian baseline. One of the foreign vessels files a suit against the other for damage caused to the ship and injury suffered by its sailors in an Indian Court. Has the Indian Court jurisdiction to decide the matter? Decide.
10. A pirate ship was captured on the High Seas by a ship belonging to the Navy of a Foreign country X. The Foreign Court belonging to the Foreign country X, exercises jurisdiction in the matter. Examine whether the Foreign Court has jurisdiction in the matter.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Part C

Answer any two of the following.

Each question carries 15 marks.

11. Explain the concept of Flag Jurisdiction and State Responsibility. Discuss the law relating to Merchant Shipping in territorial waters and on the High Seas.
12. What is Marine Insurance? Discuss the general principles relating to damages, international obligations, and conditions relating to duty of disclosure and indemnity.
13. Write critical notes on : (any three) :
- (a) Charter Party and Bill of Lading.
 - (b) C.I.F. and F.O.B. Contracts.
 - (c) Loss and abandonment of ship.
 - (d) Marine Pollution.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)