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NALSAR UNIVERSITY OF LAW, HYDERABAD

Advanced Diploma in International Humanitarian Law (Batch 2021 – 2022)

Take Home – Supplementary Examination (November 4-7, 2022)

**Paper II – 1.2. Protection of Victims of War and Armed
Conflicts**

TOTAL MARKS: 100

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- a) Read the instructions for Take Home Examination carefully and adhere to the same.
 - b) *Please mention your name, ID No., subject name and total number of pages on the Answer Sheet.*
 - c) *Clearly indicate the question numbers while answering them.*
 - d) *Answer all the four questions and each question carries 25 marks.*
 - e) *The answer for the 25 marks question should be written in 1200 - 1500 words and for the 10 marks / 15 marks question it should be 800 – 1000 words.*
 - f) *Only Handwritten answer scripts should be uploaded. Use only Black ball pen to write the answers. Handwriting if not legible, paper will not be examined.*
 - g) *Since this is a take home exam, we expect your answers to be analytical rather than straight answers.*
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1. What constitutes ‘minimum humanitarian standards’? How they have been projected under the Geneva Conventions and implemented by the States in practice? Give examples referring to such obligations as forming part of the international customary law by the International court of Justice. **(25 marks).**

2. The principle of distinction between combatant and non-combatant is the cornerstone of international humanitarian law. This basic principle is supplemented with other equally important principles that are central to the very objective of international humanitarian law which relies on weakening the military potential rather than causing indiscriminate and total destruction of the enemy State. Identify these fundamental principles and examine the State practice in this regard. **(25 marks).**

3. Examine critically the legal provisions governing Prisoners of war in terms of determining their status, supervision and repatriation. Support your answer with examples where the treatment of such persons has been subjected to severe condemnation by the international community in recent times. **(25 marks).**

4. Write a critical note on the following:

(a) Child soldiers **(5 marks)**

(b) Civilians in occupied territories **(10 marks)**

(c) Internally displaced persons **(10 marks)**