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NALSAR UNIVERSITY OF LAW, HYDERABAD
P.G DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW
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PAPER I – INTRODUCTION TO IHL

Time: 3 hours

Marks: 100

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1. No clarifications can be sought on the question paper from the invigilator**
- 2. Candidates are permitted to carry the bare texts of IHL Instruments and Codes**
- 3. Clearly indicate the question numbers while answering them**

ANSWER ANY FOUR OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

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1. Define International Law and International Humanitarian Law. Narrate the Sources of International Law with special respect to International Humanitarian Laws.
2. Distinguish between non-international armed conflict and international armed conflict with suitable examples. Is there a possibility of a non-international armed conflict becoming international armed conflict? Give reasons.
3. Do you agree with the statement that human rights law has some links with IHL? Briefly Explain with reference to the provisions of IHL and examples.
4. Distinguish between State Sovereignty and State Responsibility in International Humanitarian Law. What in your view are the State obligations in time of war and in time of peace under International Humanitarian Law? Illustrate your answer.
5. Certain Provisions of the Four Geneva Conventions (1949) and their Additional Protocols of 1977 have assumed the status of customary Principles (jus cogens) of International Humanitarian Law today. Do you agree with this statement? Justify your arguments in the light of Common Article 3 of the Four Geneva Conventions.
6. One among the significant features of IHL is about its implementation by member states. Do you think that the existing system is good or do you suggest any mechanism for improvement? Give reasons.
7. What is the status and protection extended to non-combatants in IHL? Briefly explain the same with suitable examples.

8. Write short notes on any FOUR of the following questions.

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- a) International Criminal Court
- b) St. Petersburg Declaration
- c) Neutrality in war
- d) Protected persons
- e) Jus in bello and Jus ad bellum
- f) Lieber Code
- g) Hors de combat