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***M.A. (Maritime Laws)
Advanced Diploma in Maritime Laws
PG Diploma in in Maritime Laws***

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Second Semester - End Semester Examination (June, 2023)

**Paper II - 1.2.5. International Trade and Marine Transport
Services**

Duration of the Examination: 2 ½ hours

Total Marks : 70 marks

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- a) Read the instructions carefully and adhere to the same.
- b) Please mention your DDE ID No., date of the exam, name of the programme & subject on the Answer Sheet and the Additional Answer Sheets, if any.
- c) The questions to be interpreted as given and no clarification can be sought from the Invigilator.
- d) Clearly indicate the question numbers while answering them. Answers without question numbers / wrong question numbers will not be evaluated.
- e) Write the answers clearly and neatly. Answers in illegible handwriting will not be taken into consideration.
- f) Candidates are prohibited to carry phones or any other electronic devices, books, material etc. in the Examination Hall.
- g) Copying is strictly prohibited and is considered as a serious academic misconduct and the University will take action as it deems fit.

Section – A

Answer FIVE questions out of SEVEN questions and each question carries 10 marks. (5 x 10 marks = 50 marks)

1. India has recently experienced a significant increase in its maritime trade volume. Discuss the role of maritime transport in facilitating this growth and its impact on the Indian economy.
2. India is a signatory to various international trade agreements. Explain how these agreements influence India's maritime transport policies and trade relations with other countries.

3. A dispute has arisen between two countries regarding trade barriers in the maritime transport sector. Describe the role of the WTO in resolving such disputes and promoting fair trade practices.
4. Due to technological advancements, autonomous ships are becoming a reality. Discuss the potential benefits and challenges associated with the use of autonomous ships in international shipping.
5. India is planning to revamp its shipbuilding industry to boost domestic maritime trade. Evaluate the key steps and policies that can be adopted to achieve this objective.
6. A company is involved in international trade and encounters difficulties in preparing the necessary shipping documents. Provide guidance on the essential shipping documents required for smooth export transactions.
7. The COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated the adoption of digital solutions in the maritime industry, such as e-commerce platforms and contactless transactions. Analyze the benefits and challenges associated with this digital transformation in terms of international trade and maritime operations.

Section – B

Answer FOUR questions out of SIX questions and each question carries 05 marks. (4 x 5 marks = 20 marks)

- a. Discuss the historical development of international trade law and its relevance in shaping contemporary trade practices.
- b. Explain the objectives and functions of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and its impact on global trade negotiations.
- c. Discuss the provisions and implications of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) in the context of international trade.
- d. Describe the role and importance of ports in facilitating international trade and their impact on the overall maritime trade ecosystem.
- e. Explain the impact of COVID-19 on the maritime trade industry, including its effects on global supply chains and shipping operations.
- f. Outline the role of international institutions, such as the IMF and IBRD, in supporting and promoting international trade.