


**BENGALURU
School of Law**
Mid - Term Examinations - November 2024
Semester: VII

Date: 06-11-2024

Course Code: LAW3014

Time: 11:45am – 01:15pm

Course Name: Energy Law and Policy

Max Marks: 50

Program: BA LL.B (Hons.) /BBA LL.B (Hons.)/ B.COM

Weightage: 25%

LL.B (Hons.)
Instructions:
(i) Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.
(ii) Do not write anything on the question paper other than roll number.
Part A
Answer any 5 Questions. Each question carries 2 marks.
5Qx2M=10M

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| 1 | Define the term 'energy efficiency' as it relates to the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 | 2 Marks | L | CO 1 |
| 2 | What is the role of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) in India? | 2 Marks | L | CO 1 |
| 3 | What do you mean by Field Development Plan? | 2 Marks | L | CO 1 |
| 4 | What is the significance of Electricity Act 2003 in the energy sector. | 2 Marks | L | CO 2 |
| 5 | Describe the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) and its functions. | 2 Marks | L | CO 2 |
| 6 | What do you mean by OALP? | 2 Marks | L | CO 2 |

Part B
Answer ALL Questions. Each question carries 10 marks.
4QX10M=40M

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| 7. | 7a. Discuss the impact of renewable energy sources on India's energy security and sustainability. | 6 Marks | L | CO 1 |
| | 7b. Discuss the role of energy in the economic development of the country | 4 Marks | L | CO1 |

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| 8. | 8a. Evaluate the significance of the Open Acreage Licensing Policy (OALP) in enhancing exploration in India's oil and gas sector | 6 Marks | L | CO1 |
| | 8b. Explain the challenges faced in implementing the Hydrocarbon Exploration Licensing Policy (HELPE). | 4 Marks | L | CO1 |

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| 9. | 9a. | Critically analyze the legal and regulatory challenges in the pricing of petroleum in India. | 6 Marks | L | CO1 |
| | 9b. | Summarize the key recommendations made by the Rangarajan Committee on petroleum pricing. | 4 Marks | L | CO1 |

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| 10. | 10a. | Compare and contrast the advantages and disadvantages of the administrative pricing mechanism and the import parity pricing mechanism in the energy sector. | 6 Marks | L | CO1 |
| | 10b. | Define import parity pricing and its relevance in the context of energy resources. | 4 Marks | L | CO1 |
| 11. | 11a. | Explain how the Open Acreage License Policy (OALP) enhances exploration and production of oil and gas in India. What advantages does it provide compared to previous licensing systems? | 6 Marks | L | CO2 |
| | 11b. | What objectives does the Open Acreage License Policy (OALP) aim to achieve within the oil and gas sector? | 4 Marks | L | CO2 |

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| 12. | 12a. | Describe the procedure that a bidder must follow after discovering oil in the contract area awarded under the Open Acreage License Policy (OALP) | 6 Marks | L | CO1 |
| | 12b. | What are the penalties prescribed if the company can show no development after the scheduled time. | 4 Marks | L | CO1 |
| 13. | 13a. | Analyze the key features and challenges of the pre-NELP exploration phase in India's oil and gas sector. | 6 Marks | L | CO2 |
| | 13b. | How did this phase influence the regulatory framework and policy changes that led to the introduction of NELP? | 4 Marks | L | CO2 |

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| 14. | 14a. | Compare and contrast Production Sharing Contracts (PSC) and Revenue Sharing Contracts in the context of oil and gas exploration in India. | 6 Marks | L | CO2 |
| | 14b. | What are the advantages and disadvantages of each contract type for both the government and the contractors? | 4 Marks | L | CO2 |