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BENGALURU

End - Term Examinations - MAY 2025

Date: 24-05-2025

Time: 09:30 am – 12:30 pm

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| School: SOL | Program: BA,LLB/BBA,LLB/B.Com, LLB | |
| Course Code : LAW3009 | Course Name: PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW - 1 | |
| Semester: VI | Max Marks: 100 | Weightage: 50% |

| CO - Levels | CO1 | CO2 | CO3 | CO4 | CO5 |
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| Marks | 20 | 25 | 25 | 30 | |

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 ALL the Questions. Each question carries 2marks.

10Q x 2M=20M

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| 1. | According to the UN Charter, what principle guides the sovereign equality of all its members? | 2 Marks | L2 | CO2 |
| 2. | What does ICJ stand for? | 2 Marks | L1 | CO1 |
| 3. | What is the definition of International Law given by TWAIL Jurists? | 2 Marks | L2 | CO1 |
| 4. | Discuss the events led to the establishment of United Nations. | 2 Marks | L1 | CO2 |
| 5. | Name one key figure involved in the historical development of International Law. | 2 Marks | L1 | CO1 |
| 6. | What is the term for a peaceful method of resolving disputes between states without resorting to force? | 2 Marks | L1 | CO2 |
| 7. | What does the term 'subjects of International Law' refer to? | 2 Marks | L1 | CO1 |
| 8. | How Embargo is important under International Law? | 2 Marks | L2 | CO2 |
| 9. | Which two systems are compared when studying the relationship between International and Municipal Law? | 2 Marks | L1 | CO1 |
| 10. | Which method involves the use of international organizations or courts to resolve disputes? | 2 Marks | L2 | CO2 |

Part B

Answer the Questions.

Total Marks 80M

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| 11. | a. | When a new state is created, how should it decide who gets its nationality, and what problems can happen if people are left without citizenship? | 4 Marks | L4 | C03 |
| | b. | Discuss the legal consequences of recognition and non-recognition of states and governments. | 3 Marks | L3 | C03 |
| | c. | Examine the theories related to State Succession. | 3 Marks | L3 | C03 |
| Or | | | | | |
| 12. | a. | Explain De Jure Recognition with relevant case laws. | 4 Marks | L3 | C03 |
| | b. | Critically analyze the Montevideo Convention criteria for statehood. Are these criteria still adequate in addressing the complexities of modern state formation? | 3 Marks | L3 | C03 |
| | c. | What changes legally when one country officially recognizes another country or government? How does it affect international relations? | 3 Marks | L4 | C03 |
| 13. | a. | Critically analyze the principles governing the grant of asylum in international law. | 3 Marks | L3 | C04 |
| | b. | Who is a "Consul"? Examine the different classification of Consuls under Vienna Convention? | 3 Marks | L3 | C04 |
| | c. | What are the pacific means of settlement of disputes under UN | 4 Marks | L3 | C04 |
| Or | | | | | |
| 14. | a. | Explain the concepts of "statelessness" and "dual Nationality" under International Law. | 3 Marks | L3 | C04 |
| | b. | What are the functions of Secretariat under the United Nations Organisation. | 4 Marks | L3 | C04 |
| | c. | Describe the suspension and expulsion of membership of States under the United Nations. | 3 Marks | L3 | C04 |
| 15. | a. | Evaluate the role of international organizations in the expansion and enforcement of international legal norms. | 4 Marks | L6 | C01 |
| | b. | How do TWAIL jurists envision a more just and inclusive international legal order? | 3 Marks | L3 | C01 |
| | c. | Analyze the expanding scope of international law in the 21st century. | 3 Marks | L3 | C01 |
| Or | | | | | |
| 16. | a. | Who are considered as the subjects of International Law? Explain. | 4 Marks | L3 | C01 |
| | b. | Explain the reasons why Austin did not consider international law a 'true law.' | 3 Marks | L3 | C01 |
| | c. | Explain the historical development of international law from the Treaty of Westphalia to the present. | 3 Marks | L3 | C01 |

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| 17. | a. | Explain the hierarchy of the sources of International Law under Article 38 of Statute of ICJ. | 5 Marks | L3 | C02 |
| | b. | Analyze the role of 'subsidiary means' (judicial decisions and jurists' writings) in shaping international law. | 5 Marks | L3 | C02 |
| | c. | Discuss the implications of <i>jus cogens</i> norms on the validity of treaties under international law. | 5 Marks | L4 | C02 |
| Or | | | | | |
| 18. | a. | Distinguish between <i>jus cogens</i> norms and ordinary customary international law. | 5 Marks | L4 | C02 |
| | b. | To what extent do judicial decisions influence the development of international law despite the absence of a strict doctrine of precedent? | 5 Marks | L4 | C02 |
| | c. | Examine the role played by International Conventions in shaping international law. | 5 Marks | L3 | C02 |

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| 19. | a. | Explain the conditions under which a state can be held internationally responsible for the actions of non-state actors. | 5 Marks | L3 | C03 |
| | b. | To what extent has R2P evolved from a political commitment into a binding legal obligation? | 5 Marks | L4 | C03 |
| | c. | State A sends its military aircraft into State B's airspace without permission, claiming it is pursuing terrorists who recently attacked a city in State A. State B protests, claiming a violation of its sovereignty and the prohibition on the use of force under Article 2(4) of the UN Charter. Analyze whether State A's actions are legally justified under international law. | 5 Marks | L5 | C03 |
| Or | | | | | |
| 20. | a. | Country A launches a cyberattack causing a blackout in Country B. Can this be classified as a "use of force" under international law? Critically evaluate. | 5 Marks | L5 | C0 |
| | b. | Examine the scope of UN Security Council-authorized military interventions. Are they consistently based on clear legal principles? | 5 Marks | L4 | C0 |
| | c. | Critically evaluate whether the principle of sovereign equality truly operates in practice, given the political realities within international institutions like the UN. | 5 Marks | L5 | C0 |

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| 21. | a. | Analyze the legal framework of extradition and discuss the tension between the principle of sovereignty and the international obligation to extradite fugitives. | 7 Marks | L5 | C04 |
| | b. | Compare and analyze the different classes of diplomatic representatives. | 7 Marks | L4 | C04 |
| | c. | Two UN member states are engaged in a border dispute and one imposes a pacific blockade without Security Council authorization. Discuss the legality of the blockade under international law and the powers of the UN organs to intervene. | 6 Marks | L5 | C04 |
| Or | | | | | |

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| 22. | a. | Critically assess the impact of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, 1961 on the practice of granting immunities to diplomats. | 7 Marks | L4 | C04 |
| | b. | Evaluate the role played by United Nations General Assembly and Security Council. | 7 Marks | L4 | C04 |
| | c. | A newly formed state applies for United Nations membership but faces opposition from a permanent member of the Security Council. Analyze the process and legal challenges involved in its admission under the UN Charter. | 6 Marks | L5 | C04 |