

### LAW OF THE SEA AND MARITIME LAWS

#### Teaching, Research and Training Project Status

Thursday, 17 December 2015

POLICY RESEARCH		
1	Draft Deep Seabed Mining Act of India	Sent to the Ministry of Earth Sciences; Meeting to discuss the first draft is to be convened by the Ministry
2	Antarctica Act of India, 2015	The Final Draft ready for discussion for the consideration of the Empowered Committee chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Earth Sciences
3	Private Maritime Security Companies Regulations	Draft ready; presentation before the Ministry of Shipping and Transportation, Government of India; date to be finalised
4	Review of Major Maritime Laws of India: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 and Merchant Shipping Bill 2013</li> <li>2. Indian Ports Act, 1908 and Indian Ports Bill, 2011</li> <li>3. Inland Vessels Act, 1917</li> <li>4. Major Ports Trusts Act, 1963 and Draft Major Ports Regulatory Authority Act, 2009</li> <li>5. Multimodal Transportation of Goods Act 1993</li> <li>6. Shipping Trade Practices (STP) Bill, 2010</li> <li>7. Piracy Bill, 2012</li> <li>8. Admiralty Bill, 2005</li> </ol>	Preliminary research done; review under Progress
PUBLICATIONS		
1	International Tribunal for the Law of Sea (ITLOS) Jurisprudence 1994-2014: Commentary, Case-Law Digest	Published by Eastern Book Company 2015

	and the Reference Guide (Foreword by H. E. Judge Peter Tomka, President, International Court of Justice and H. E. Judge David Attard, Judge, ITLOS)	
2	‘Maritime Security Laws and Practices in the Indian Ocean Rim Association Member States: Selected Areas’ in Harry Scheiber (ed.) <i>Ocean Law and Policy: Twenty Years of Development under the UNCLOS Regime</i>	Upcoming publication by Brill, the Hague
3	Law and Practice of India on Major Law of the Sea and Maritime International Instruments	Primary research completed; review and editing under progress
4	“Law of the Sea: Maritime Security Enforcement and Jurisdictional Issues for the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Member States”	Dennis Rumley (ed.), <i>The Political Economy of Indian Ocean Maritime Africa</i> , Pentagon Press, ISBN 978-81-8274-807-1, pp. 203-17.
5	Legal Road-Map for Exploration and Exploitation of Poly-Metallic Nodules in the Indian Ocean: Issues for Consideration by India, June 2013	Submitted to the Ministry of Earth Sciences
6	Maritime Security and Piracy: Global Issues, Challenges and Solutions, Bimal N. Patel and Hitesh Thakkar (foreword by Admiral Nirmal Verma, Chief of Naval Staff), Eastern Book Company, 2012, ISBN 93-5028-708-0	Published by Eastern Book Company, 2012
7	“Integrated Maritime Defense Policy and Strategy of India: Some Critical Ideas for Preparing the Blue-Print for India” Bimal N. Patel, Aruna Kumar Malik, Souyma Priyadarshinee and Udita Kanwar in <i>Maritime Security and Piracy: Global Issues, Challenges and Solutions</i> , Bimal N. Patel and Hitesh Thakkar (foreword by Admiral Nirmal Verma, Chief of Naval Staff), Eastern Book Company, 2012, p. 287-318	Published by Eastern Book Company, 2012
<b>GENERAL RESEARCH</b>		
1	Blue Economy Road-Map: Techno-Legal Policy and Regulatory Framework	Proposal submitted to the Ministry of Earth Sciences in June 2015; Reviewer comments to be incorporated
2	Maritime Law Manual of India	To be completed in 2016

3	Legal and Policy Issues concerning marine genetic resources and biotechnological developments	Completed; will be sent to Ministry of Earth Sciences and Ministry of External Affairs
4	Need for a comprehensive legal and regulatory regime for exploration of Gas Hydrates in the Indian Ocean	Under progress
5	Legal Permissibility and Security Challenges concerning Argofloats in the EEZ of India	Under progress
6	Outer limits of the Indian Continental Shelf - Future Issues Indian Observer Status and Future Role in the Arctic Council Ensuring Long-term Interests of India in the Antarctica through Legal Framework	Completed; will be sent to Ministry of Earth Sciences and Ministry of External Affairs
7	Legal Roadmap for the Development of the Regulatory Framework for PN Exploration: Considerations for India Dynamics of Under-Sea Gold Rush and India's Stake in the Competitive Exploration Bid: A Critique Exploration and Exploitation of Ocean Resources by Coastal African and Asian Nations Coastal and Marine Sustainability in Africa Marine South-South Cooperation in South Asia and the World Law and Practice of Continental Shelf among India, China, Indonesia and Japan Law and Practice of EEZ Enforcement of Law of the Sea in the High Seas Challenges and Issues for Prosecution of Pirates: Case Study of Denmark and UK	Completed; sent to Ministry of Earth Sciences and Ministry of External Affairs
8	Setting-up of an Internal Monitoring Mechanism within ISA for Observance of Environmental Regulations and Rules concerning Exploration and Exploitation of Mineral Resources	Planned research topic
9	Comparative analysis of implementation of penal code and other measures to prosecute pirates under various jurisdictions	Planned research topic
10	UNCLOS and Climate Change – Issues and Challenges	Planned research topic
11	Piracy Bill 2012: Critical Analysis	LLM Research Dissertation supervision completed



<b>TRAINING</b>		
1	GNLU International Maritime Academy – 2016 Edition	6-12 March 2016
2	International Ship and Port Facility Security Code (ISPS) Training Workshop for Indian Navy, Coast Guard and Integrated Defense Forces on Law of Sea and Maritime Laws, Ports authorities and Operation Officers in collaboration with the National Maritime Foundation, Gujarat Maritime Board	First half 2016
3	Outer Limits of the Continental Shelf Workshop	February 2016
4	<i>Marine Living Resources and the UNCLOS Provisions</i> , International Foundation for Law of the Sea Academy, 2015 Edition, Hamburg	5 August 2015
5	<i>Legal Issues Concerning Private Marine Security Contractors (PMSC)</i> , Strategic Initiation of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Line of Defense for India, Forum for Integrated National Security, Mumbai,	11 July 2015
6	GNLU International Maritime Academy – 2015 Edition	14-21 March 2015
7	Legal and Regulatory Framework of Fishing – Training Program for Fishermen	August 2014
8	Intensive Certificate Course on Marine Insurance Law for Indian Merchant Shipping, Shipping Corporation of India and Maritime Industry officials dealing with insurance law – February 2014	August 2014.
9	Intensive Certificate Course – Maritime Security Laws for CISF, Indian Coast Guard and Maritime Boards of India, January 2014	May 2014.
10	Law of Sea and Maritime Legal Adviser Training Course for Indian Navy, Coast Guard and Integrated Defense Forces on Law of Sea and Maritime	25 March to 8 April 2013
<b>TEACHING</b>		
1	International Maritime Laws – Certificate Course	Winter Semester 2016
2	Seminar Paper January – May 2015 (Final 5 <sup>th</sup> Year LLB)	Completed
3	Certificate Course on Maritime Laws – August 2015	Completed
4	One Year Certificate Course - Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes in Law of the Sea and Maritime Laws	Completed

### EXTENSION

1	International Seabed Authority (ISA) Regional Awareness Workshop	Planned in collaboration with the ISA November 2016
2	Marine Environment Law and Practice of China, India, Japan and Republic of Korea, Xiamen Academy of International Law, China, General Course	July 2016
3	<b>International</b> - Hague Academy of International Law External Course – Stability in the Ocean Regime and Sustainable Development	1 to 8 November 2013
4	<b>International</b> - GNLU Maritime Annual Conference focussing on ocean resources, marine transportation and insurances	16-17 November 2014
5	IFLOS Scholarship for GNLU, India and Developing Countries (one in number)	Began from July 2015

### PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

1	Marine Environment Law and Practices in the Indian Ocean Region World Ocean Science Congress, Kochi, India	February 2015
2	Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Conferene on Political Economy of Maritime Africa, Nairobi, Kenya, as a Nominee of the Ministry of External Affairs of Government of India	12-14 March 2014

### NETWORKING AND INFORMATION BASE

1	Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India has established two fellowships and allocated funds to carry out research pertaining to India's Position on Deep Seabed Mining and the Indian Ocean, specifically environmental regulations and Poly-Metallic Nodules and for Antarctica Act of India	Fellow appointed; research group constituted; research under progress.
2	Establishment of Maritime Law Chair by the Gujarat Maritime Board	Vacancy for Assistant Professor (Research) in Maritime Law advertised.
3	Submitted a proposal to Ministry of Shipping for fellowship in Shipping Law	Outcome of proposal awaited
4	Database of Law of Sea Experts, Professionals, Maritime Industry, Insurance Companies, Organisations, Academic	Available and ongoing

and Research Institutions across the world

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