

**GUJARAT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY
SILVASSA CAMPUS**

Course: **Public International Law**
Semester- V (Batch: 2023-28)

End Semester Examination: October – November 2025

Date: 30th October, 2025

Duration: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 50

Instructions:

- Read the questions properly and write the answers in the given answer book.
- Do not write anything on the question paper.
- The respective marks for each question are indicated in-line.
- Indicate correct question numbers in front of the answer.
- No questions or clarification can be sought during the exam period, answer as it is, giving reason, if any.
- Word Limit: **10 Marks:** 700 - 800 words

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS

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| Q.1 India signs a Treaty on Climate Refugees requiring permanent residency rights to persons displaced by rising sea levels. Parliament has not enacted a domestic law yet. A group of refugees files a petition in the Supreme Court of India invoking the treaty rights. Explain how you would apply the theory of monism, dualism, specific adoption, and harmonization while deciding the case presuming you preside over the case as a judge. | (10) |
| Q.2 A minority group in the State of “M” declares unilateral independence and seeks recognition citing the Unilateral Declaration of Independence in Respect of Kosovo (Advisory Opinion), 2010 I.C.J. 403 (July 22). State “M” argues that unilateral declaration by the minority group violates territorial integrity. Evaluate whether international law supports such unilateral secession. | (10) |
| Q.3 “The concept of international legal personality is dynamic, not static.” Discuss with reference to International Court of Justice and arbitral awards. | (10) |
| Q.4 Examine the legality of territorial acquisition by conquest in contemporary international law. | (10) |
| Q.5 Critically examine the different principles of jurisdiction with relevant case laws. | (10) |
| Q.6 A fishing vessel of State “X” illegally fishes within the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of State “Y”. The coast guard of “Y” pursues it into the High Seas and captures it. Was this lawful under UNCLOS 1982 Art. 111? Discuss its conditions along with the case laws. | (10) |
| Q.7 Evaluate Article 38 of International Court of Justice Statute being the source of international law. Is there a hierarchy of sources for international law as per Article 38? | (10) |
