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M.B.A (Port and Shipping Management)
Semester- III
PG21T2306-Seaborne Trade and Merchant fleet

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Max Marks: 60

Time: 3 Hrs

Pass Marks: 30

PART – A

Answer **all the questions**. All the questions carry equal marks.

12 x 1 = 12 Marks

1. St. Lawrence Seaway connects
 - a) Inland countries of Europe to North Europe
 - b) Inland countries of Europe to Mediterranean sea
 - c) Inland countries of South America to Pacific ocean
 - d) Interior areas of USA and Canada to Atlantic.

2. The most important export cargo out of Nigeria is
 - a) Iron ore
 - b) Oil
 - c) Coal
 - d) Cashew and coffee

3. Export of a country is related to
 - a) Its area
 - b) Its population
 - c) Its capacity to work hard
 - d) None of the above in particular

4. Emergence of SuMed pipeline
 - a) Was to avoid large tankers going around Cape
 - b) Helped to get some additional royalty for Egypt
 - c) Was to avoid Suez canal transit
 - d) Helped the Europe to get cheaper and quicker supplies of Crude

5. Coking coal is imported for
 - a) Power generation
 - b) Steel and aluminum Industry.
 - c) FOR both
 - d) For domestic requirement as fuel for kitchen

6. Container freight rates are determined by
 - a) Actual costs plus a reasonable profit

- b) Consortium guidelines fixed by Alliances
 - c) Management decisions of the line concerned
 - d) What the traffic bear principle
7. Unitization helped to
- a) reduce port stay of the vessel
 - b) increase profitability of general cargo shipping
 - c) make cargo wait for the vessel
 - d) All of the above
8. Voyage charter is agreement between Vessel and the charterer for hiring the vessel for
- a) A period of time not less than 3 months
 - b) A fixed trip between a set of agreed ports
 - c) A full lease of the vessel at the disposal of the Charterer.
 - d) All of the above
9. Dead freight is the amount payable
- a) For any eventuality whether cargo lost or not lost
 - b) For any eventuality whether ship lost or not lost
 - c) For Space booked whether it is used or not.
 - d) All of the above
10. USA imports a lot and is No1 in this. The main reason is
- a) Its heavy population
 - b) Its Heavy consumption and lifestyle
 - c) Its industrialization
 - d) Its large area as it is one of the largest countries in the world.
11. Which of the following sea routes joins North America and Europe with South America?
- a) South Atlantic oceanic route
 - b) North Atlantic oceanic route
 - c) Routes of Mediterranean sea
 - d) Cape of Good Hope route
12. Who among the following open the sea route to Asia via Atlantic and Indian Oceans?
- a) Bartolomeu Dias
 - b) Vasco-Da-Gama
 - c) John II
 - d) Ibn Majid

PART – B

Answer any **Five** of the following questions.

5 x 4 = 20 Marks

13. Discuss the reasons of International trade and why the trade is growing,
14. What, in your opinion, is the reason for concentration of shipbuilding activity in East Asia countries? Why it has not taken off in India?
15. Write a short note on Reefer ships which are required to carry Bananas. Which are the most likely Load port and disport?
16. Before you want to build a container terminal in a given place, what are the points you would like to consider/study?
17. You are required to advise on selecting a ship for trading in bulk cargoes in minor ports in India. Discuss briefly the considerations.
18. Explain the role of Port state control.
19. What is a hub and spoke arrangement? Briefly explain how Singapore over time has emerged as a leading hub in Asia Pacific area.

PART - C

Question No.20 is compulsory and answer any three from the remaining five questions

4 x 7 = 28 Marks

20. Write a note on movement of Crude oil across the world, giving details of major load ports/disports, routes used, ships used. Also mention the port facilities required at both ends. What are the threats for expansion of the crude oil volumes?
 21. The North America is rich in exportable cargoes. Give details of cargoes imported/exported along with ports used. Mention briefly the usage of St Lawrence Seaway and its limitations.
 22. Containerization has certain advantages which facilitate supply chain management. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages.
 23. What are slot swaps? Explain how the mega alliances work at the global level.
 24. Why is second hand tonnage important? What are the disadvantages of getting a second hand tonnage?
 25. Write a note on Classification societies, giving details of the role it plays in Maritime Trade.
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