

ONE YEAR LL.M DEGREE FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION,

July 2021

WTO – Evolution, Structure & Dispute Resolution

Duration: 10.00am - 1.45 pm

Maximum Marks: 50

Answer All questions. Each question carry Ten marks (5*10 =50 Marks)

Module 1- Time 10 a.m-10.45 a.m (35 minutes for writing and 10 minutes for uploading)

1. a) Is the WTO only an improved version of GATT or has it got a distinct effect on international trade law (ITL)?

OR

- b) What do you think the world needs at present- facilitation of free trade or restrictive trade policies?

Module 2- Time 10.45 a.m-11.30 a.m (35 minutes for writing and 10 minutes for uploading)

2. a) Elaborate on the composition and membership of WTO. Is it truly a universally representative international organisation?

OR

- b) Do you feel that the multiple-level decision making process within WTO is truly democratic and well-ordered?

Module 3- Time 11.30 a.m-12.15 p.m (35 minutes for writing and 10 minutes for uploading)

3. a) Discuss the necessity and effectiveness of steps like conciliation, consultation, mediation, negotiation etc. in dispute resolution before WTO. To what extent have they been successful?

OR

- b) Comment on the composition, functions and contributions of the Appellate Body in matters of dispute resolution.

Module 4- Time 12.15 p.m-1.00 p.m (35 minutes for writing and 10 minutes for uploading)

4. a) "Interpretation of WTO instruments follow the general rules of interpretation in international law provided under the Vienna Convention". Do you agree? Substantiate.

OR

- b) "Compensation and retaliation though effective, are least favoured as remedies by WTO". Why?

Module 5- Time 1.00 p.m-1.45 p.m (35 minutes for writing and 10 minutes for uploading)

5. a) Are the Panel and Appellate Body rulings duly complied with? Within what time span are rulings usually to be complied with?

OR

b) Comment on the limitations of WTO dispute resolution process, if any. Can they act as precedents for later disputes?
