

2nd Edition of GMU Maritime Labour Law Academy (GMLLA-2021)

22 November 2021 to 27 November 2021



About the Gujarat Maritime University

Gujarat Maritime University (GMU) is an endeavour by Gujarat Maritime Board, the state regulator for the ports and maritime activities in Gujarat. The University has been conceived by visionaries to address the burgeoning need of the skilled workforce in the ever-changing dynamics of the maritime sector.

The University has commenced its academic journey from 2019 with the establishment of its first School – School of Maritime Law, Policy & Administration (SMLPA), which offers LL.M and Executive Diploma programmes in Maritime Law and International Trade Law. The University also offers MBA in Shipping and Logistics under its School of Maritime Management (SMM). In pursuit of creating an institution of global standards, GMU has collaborated with internationally prominent institutions like Erasmus University, STC International and many more such alliances shall be forged in time to come.

About GMU Centre for Research on Maritime Labour Law

GMU Centre for Research on Maritime Labour Law was established in the year 2020. The Centre focuses on research related to various aspects of Maritime Labour Law, including occupational health and safety issues of seafarers and port workers. The Research Centre contribute to the goals of expanding knowledge and having a positive impact on society. Its vision is to get recognized globally and nationally as a Centre of excellence for research and capacity building in the field of Maritime Labour Law

About the GMU Maritime Labour Law Academy (GMLLA)

Maritime workers perform an admirable service to humanity by helping move ships and a variety of cargo from one port to the other. Seafarers have to face numerous challenges working on long-term contracts, at sea, and far away from home. These include issues related to repatriation, abandonment, non-payment of wages, etc. Mindful of problems faced by seafarers in international waters, some forward-looking developments have taken place in international law. Today there are numerous Conventions and recommendations on working conditions in the maritime transport sector. The purpose of these is to achieve decent working condition for seafarers and to secure economic interests through fair competition for quality ship owners.

Maritime Labour Law Academy aims to generate awareness about the current legal regime related to Maritime Labour Law. A wide range of topics, including recruitment, employment contracts, issues related to seafarer abandonment, will be discussed during the event. Sessions will be taken by some of the leading Maritime Law experts from both India and abroad.

GMU Centre for Research on Maritime Labour Law successfully organised the first Edition of the Event in 2020. Encouraged by the overwhelming success of the first editions, Centre is pleased to present before you the 2nd Edition of GMU Maritime Labour Law Academy- 2021. The 2nd Edition is scheduled to be organized virtually from 22nd – 27th November 2021.

Significance of the Course

GMU Maritime Labour Law Academy will contribute to the goals of expanding knowledge and having a positive impact on society. Objective will be to make the participants aware of present legal regime related to Maritime Labour Law and the challenges faced by the seafarer's onboard vessel. The course will equip participants with knowledge on contemporary and advanced issues related to Maritime Labour Law. The Event would be ideal for students and professionals aiming to be specialists in shipping and maritime sector.

Targeted Audience

The Event is designed for anyone interested in knowing about the present legal regime related to Maritime Labour Law and the issues related to its implementation. The course is also aimed to attract those already working in the industry but are keen to know about the regulations applying to the seafarers.

Resource Persons

No.	Sessions	Resource Person
1.	Navigating the Oceans: An Introduction to Seafaring 22 November, 03:00 PM to 04:30 PM (IST)	Mr. Chirag Bahri Director of Regions International Seafarers' Welfare and Assistance Network
2.	Historical Perspectives of Seafarers in Shipping & Transitions amidst the Pandemic 22 November, 5:00 PM to 06:30 PM(IST)	Commodore (Dr) Odakkal Johnson Ex Director Maritime History Society
3.	Process of Recruitment of Seafarers, and legal issues involved. 23 November, 03:00 PM to 04:30 PM (IST)	Mr. T.K. Krishna Kumar, Dy. Director & Dy. Shipping Master, Director Seamen's Employment Office, Chennai. M.A., L.L.M. (Mumbai) & L.L.M. (IMO-IMLI)
4.	Present Legal Regime for Protecting Abandoned Seafarers and the Way Forward 23 November, 5:00 PM to 06:30 PM (IST)	Mr. Andy Bowerman Regional Director Middle East and South Asia, Mission to Seafarers
5.	Role of Admiralty Courts in Protecting Seafarers' Rights 24 November, 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM (IST)	Prof. (Dr.) Proshanto Mukherjee Professor Emeritus, World Maritime University
6.	Role of Flag State and Port State in Implementation of Maritime Labour Law 25 November, 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM (IST)	Capt. Amarinder Singh Brar Marine Manager, MFB Solicitors, UK and Former Flag State Inspector
7.	Role of P&I Clubs as Financial Security Provider under Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 26 November, 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM (IST)	Capt. Anuj Velankar Regional Loss Prevention Director, UK P&I Club
8.	Role of Trade Unions, and Non-Governmental Organizations in Protecting Seafarers 27 November, 03:00 PM to 4:30 PM (IST)	Mr. Abdulgani Y Serang General Secretary-cum-Treasurer, Executive Board Member - International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) Vice chair, ITF Seafarers Section Asia Pacific Regio

Mode - Online

Registration for the Event

A) Registration for Indian Participants
Fees - Nil (For GMU students)
590 INR (Students from Indian University)
1180 INR (others)
Registration Link: https://forms.eduqfix.com/indianmllaf/add

B) Registration for Foreign Participants
Fees - 50USD
Registration Link: https://forms.eduqfix.com/foreignmlla/add





Note: Certificate of Participation will be provided to all the Participants

Patron



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