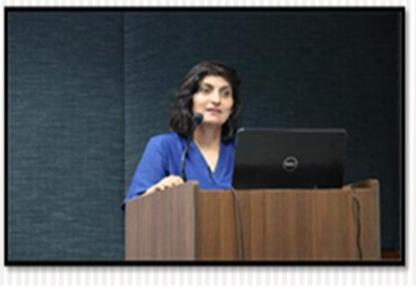
## TRAINING PROGRAM ON MARITIME COMMERCIAL LAW AND PRACTICE 2018



## **Brief Description**

GNLU Centre for Public International Law, Gujarat National Law University, had successfully organized the o5 days 'Training Program on Maritime Commercial Law and Practice' from 11- 15 September 2018. The Training Program was attended by the officers of Navy, Gujarat Maritime Board, Practitioners, Marine Engineers, Professionals, Lawyers and Students from across the country.





The Programme was inaugurated by Smt. Sunaina Tomar, IAS, Principal Secretary, Ports & Transport Department, and Government of Gujarat. Smt Tomar highlighted the vision initiatives taken by the Government of Gujarat in the coastal and port development in Gujarat state. She emphasized on the need of capacity building in maritime sector and lauded for encouraging coastal shipping and to develop maritime clusters. In welcome address, Professor (Dr) Bimal N Patel, Director of GNLU, emphasized on the capacity building in maritime sector especially in the area of maritime law. Professor Patel reiterated the huge potential and capacity of Indian maritime sector in national development and its prospective contribution in GDP growth.



The objectives of the course were to provide knowledge on contemporary and advance issues and practices of the law of the sea and maritime laws in an intensive manner and to discuss the state practice of India on the law of the sea and maritime laws including future operational challenges and issues at officer's level. The programme witnesses 32 participants.

The First session was taken by Capt. Alex Antony on Historical aspects of Maritime with an introduction to Maritime Law. Day 2 has started with the session taken by Capt Alex Antony on 'Bill of Lading and Hague Rule, Hague Visby rules and Rotterdam Rules in relation to the practical applications of the rules.



Ms. Madhumita Kothari has taken the third and the fourth sessions on 'General Average remains necessary, effective and commercially useful for the apportionment of losses incurred during the carriage of goods by sea' and 'The role of Port State Control and Port State Jurisdiction to eliminate substandard shipping' subsequently. Day 3 started with two sessions taken by Capt. Alex Antony on 'Charter Party'. Third Session was taken by Professor (Dr.) Bimal N Patel on 'ITLOS and Dispute Settlement Jurisprudence' with an emphasis on the growing significance of ITLOS and its effectiveness. Session four was taken by Ms. Madhumita Kothari on 'The extent to which the Dispute Resolution Process established under UNCLOS 1982 be considered truly compulsory in nature' dealing with the complexities of the implementation of the provisions in light of different cases.

