

New Global Challenges on International Maritime Law

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Maritime law, also known as admiralty law, is a body of laws, rules, and treaties that govern private maritime business and other nautical matters, such as shipping or offences occurring in clear water. International rules governing the utilization of oceans and seas are called the Law of the Sea. The primary focus of this research was to examine international maritime law within a global framework. Accordingly, the primary objective of this research is to identify the latest challenges to international maritime law. The research problem is identifying the major issues in the international maritime law?. The methodology is based on qualitative analysis of secondary data. Threats are identified as being addressed globally through international legal frameworks. The International Maritime Organization is a leader in international efforts to ensure maritime safety. Laws can be formulated with foresight, but shortcomings in their implementation will always be present due to a variety of pragmatic challenges and complexities. The same applies for the enforcement of international maritime law. International maritime law covers law enforcement, poor security, socio-political instability, etc. to carry out various offences in international waters such as piracy, armed robbery at sea, violence at sea, corruption, illegal fishing, smuggling, etc. In order to resolve these problems and make reparation to the aggrieved parties, interstate cooperation and fair enforcement are needed. Unfortunately, however, States do not co-operate most of the time and justice in maritime law is a mirage.

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