



FIRST MATE (FG) PHASE-I WRITTEN: METEOROLOGY (FG)

FOR INDIAN COMPETENCY EXAM



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Date: - 5th January-2022

FIRST MATE OF A FOREIGN GOING SHIP (PHASE - I)

FUNCTION: NAVIGATION (Management Level)

PAPER: METEOROLOGY

Notes:

1. Question No. 1 is compulsory.
2. Attempt any FOUR questions from the remaining 5 Questions.
3. All questions carry equal marks i.e. 20 marks each.
4. Use Admiralty Tide Tables 1992 Edition (ATT 1992)

Q.1) Find the height of tide for MASQAT (ATT-2) at 0600 hrs on 10th April 1992 using Simplified harmonic constant method.

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Q.2) What is TRS? With suitable sketch describe its structure, formation, development and decay. Explain the actions to be taken to avoid the storm center and its vicinity in NH.

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Q.3) a) What is an air mass? How are air masses classified?

b) What will be the effect on weather when an air mass situation over North America moves towards the Atlantic Ocean in summer and winter.

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Q.4) Explain the formation of sea ice. Also describe the factors on which the movement of sea ice is dependent upon.

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Q.5) Explain main causes of ocean currents. Give example of two warm ocean currents and two cold currents and causes of these currents.

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Q.6) Describe optimum routeing. How would you achieve the objective of weather routeing in optimum routeing?

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Date: - 11th March-2022

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Q.1) Find the height of tide for Coconut Island (# 5807) at 2030 Hours on 26th February, using shorter method of S.H.

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Q.2) Describe the following in respect of Tropical Revolving Storm (TRS):

- a) List the areas of the world where TRS occurs frequently, together with local names of the storms. Mention against each areas the period of the year when TRS generally develop.
- b) Structure of a Tropical Revolving Storm with appropriate diagram.
- c) Which is dangerous semicircle for navigation with reference to a Tropical Revolving Storm? Explain your answer with sketches for both the hemisphere.
- d) If the position of your ship is in the dangerous semicircle of a TRS what action you would take to keep your vessel safe.

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Q.3) Write short notes on: (Any Four)

- (a) Cyclostropic Wind
- (b) International Ice Patrol
- (c) Occlusion
- (d) Frontal Fog and Steam Fog
- (e) Frontolysis
- (f) Weather Routing

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Q.4) a) What is an iceberg and how it forms?

b) What report you will file on encountering ice at Sea.

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Q.5) a) Briefly explain Gradient Current and Up-welling current. Give suitable examples.

b) What are the current a ship will face in its journey from Liverpool to Cape Town?

c) Describe the current prevailing in Mediterranean Sea and Black Sea. Give necessary



sketches.

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Q.6) a) What is an adiabatic process? Discuss Stability of atmosphere in detail giving suitable sketch.

b) Explain the following:

i) Refraction of Sea Waves.

ii) The method of Shipboard weather routing with suitable diagram.

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Date: - 10th May-2022

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4. Use Admiralty Tide Tables 1992 Edition (ATT 1992)

Q.1) Find the height of tide at Bhavnagar, at 1200 hour on 11th January by simple harmonic method.

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Q.2) What factors contribute in formation of a TRS? Describe the avoiding action in northern hemisphere for a ship in (i) in dangerous semicircle (ii) Navigable semicircle

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Q.3) Explain the term “air mass” and “front”. With suitable sketches, explain the life cycle of a frontal depression.

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Q.4) a) Explain sequence of formation of sea ice.

b) State preparations to be done prior to vessel undertaking navigation through ice.

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Q.5) a) Describe how currents are caused.

b) Describe the currents of South Atlantic Ocean.

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Q.6) Write notes on:

- i) Geostrophic wind
- ii) Gradient wind
- iii) Katabatic wind
- iv) Sea breeze

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Date: - 7th June-2022

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4. Use Admiralty Tide Tables 1992 Edition (ATT 1992)

Q.1) Find the height of tide at 0000 hrs. GMT on 20th Feb 1992 at Port Adelaide (ATT Vol. III, # 6160) by Simple Harmonic Constant Method.

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Q.2) Explain the following terms:-

- a) Explain the formation of sea ice, icebergs in higher latitudes in Northern waters?
- b) Write notes on "Pack Ice" and "Fast Ice".

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Q.3) a) Explain reasons of current.

- b) Identify any two major ocean currents and write short notes on them.

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Q.4) a) Explain the conditions associated with the formation of TRS and factors affecting movement of TRS?

- b) What are the warning signs of an approaching TRS?

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Q.5) Write notes on following:

- a) Coriolis Force
- b) ITCZ
- c) Pressure Gradient

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Q.6) Write notes on:

- a) List different types of FOG.
- b) Explain why there is persistent fog off the Grand banks of Newfoundland.

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Date: - 13th July-2022

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Q.1) Find out the earliest time on AM 25th March 1992, so that a ship of maximum draft 6.5 mtr can sail out, keeping an UKC of 1.5 mtr, while passing over shoal (depth marked 4.2 mtr on chart) at West Port (# 2905).

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Q.2) Describe the following in respect to Tropical Revolving Storm (TRS):

- a) Why ITCZ cannot be termed as an Equatorial Front or Inter-tropical front.
- b) What is the reason for fewer occurrences of T.R.S. formation in South Atlantic and eastern part of South Pacific?
- c) What are the condition necessary for formation of TRS.

If the position of your ship is in the dangerous semicircle of a TRS what action you would take to keep your vessel safe.

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Q.3) Write short notes (Any Five)

- (i) Col.
- (ii) Semi-diurnal Variation of Atmospheric Pressure
- (iii) Advection Fog
- (iv) Thunderstorm
- (v) Fohn Wind Effect
- (vi) Families of Depression

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Q.4) a) Types and formation of floating ice encountered in sea.

- b) Write a short note on International Ice Patrol
- c) Discuss with suitable sketches the normal seasons and probable tracks of North Atlantic Ice Bergs.

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Q.5) a) What are the causes of Ocean Currents?

- b) Describe the current circulation through the strait of Gibraltar.



- c) Describe the current circulation in Bay of Bengal during SW Monsoon and NE Monsoon.
- d) Eastern shore of large Ocean are prone to which currents? Give some examples.

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Q.6) a) Describe briefly the importance of weather routing discussing the factors that are taken into consideration for weather routing.

b) What are the limitations of weather routing?

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4. Use Admiralty Tide Tables 1992 Edition (ATT 1992)

Q.1) Find the height of tide at 1930 hrs for Boom (ATT vol. I # 1539 c) on 5th Feb 1992.

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Q.2) Describe in detail (with the help of a neat sketch) the conditions and values of lapse rates, which lead to stability / instability of atmosphere.

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Q.3) a) List the area and seasons in which sea fog is to be expected. Explain how the occurrence of sea fog can be predicted on board ship.

b) Describe the effect of wind blowing over a long coastline and how this influences the currents in the South Pacific Ocean.

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Q.4) Write short notes on following:

- a) Depletion of ozone layer and its impact on environment.
- b) Frontolysis and its significance to the mariner.

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Q.5) i) Explain

- a) Trough
- b) Crest
- c) Wave Length
- d) Wave Height

ii) Explain briefly

- a) Drift Current
- b) Upwelling Current
- c) Gradient Current

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Q.6) Describe various types of Weather Facsimile Charts / Weather related information available to the mariner. How are these charts used for Weather Routeing purpose? What do you understand by Vessel's performance curves and their use.

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Date: - 15th Sept-2022

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4. Use Admiralty Tide Tables 1992 Edition (ATT 1992)

Q.1) Find the Height of tide @ BHAVNAGAR (# 4346) on 05th February 1992 and 1200 hours SHM.

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Q.2) a) Explain condition associated with formation of a Tropical Revolving Storm.
b) Sketch and describe isobars and wind circulation in a depression.

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Q.3) a) Describe the characteristics and location of Trade Winds.
b) Describe the causes of Global Warming and its effect on changes in weather pattern.

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Q.4) a) Explain the formation of sea ice.
b) State the limitation of radar as a means of detecting ice.

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Q.5) a) List the information given in Shipping Forecast issued for coastal areas.
b) Explain the cause of Gradient Current.

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Q.6) a) Define:
i) Significant Wave height and
ii) Fetch.
b) Explain the factors to be taken into consideration in ship's weather routeing.

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Date: - 7th Nov-2022

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Q.1) Using Simplified Harmonic Constant Method find height of tide at Hoek Van Holland (No. 1505, ATT Vol. 1) at 0800 hours on 13th March 1992.

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Q.2) a) How is an Aneroid Barometer useful in detecting a T.R.S.
b) Describe the practical rules for avoiding eye of a TRS in the southern hemisphere.
Support your answer with neat sketches.

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Q.3) a) Discuss about the various types of ocean currents?
b) 'Frontal Depressions are encountered in a row'. Justify your answer with the help of suitable sketches.

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Q.4) a) Briefly explain the formation of sea ice, icebergs in higher latitudes in Northern Waters?
b) Explain the purpose, duties and responsibilities of International Ice Patrol?

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Q.5) a) Explain with sketches, the formation of Benguela current on the West coast of Africa.
b) Explain with reason the flow of surface & under current in strait of Gibraltar.

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Q.6) a) Describe various types of weather facsimile charts / weather related information available to the mariner. How are these charts used for weather routeing purpose?
b) What do you understand by vessel's performance curves and their use?

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