



**DIRECTORATE OF MERCHANT SHIPPING
GOVERNMENT OF SRI LANKA
CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY EXAMINATION**

GRADE : CHIEF MATE ON SHIPS OF 500 GT OR MORE (UNLIMITED)

SUBJECT : Electronic Navigation Systems

DATE : 04th March 2021

Time : 0900 to 1200 hrs

Time allowed **THREE** hours

Total marks : 180

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

Pass marks : 50%

Formulae and all intermediate steps taken in reaching your answer should be clearly shown. You may draw sketches wherever required. Electronic devices capable of storing and retrieving are **NOT** allowed.

- 1)
 - a) Describe the annual survey requirements of AIS as stipulated by IMO
 - b) Explain present developments of AIS long range applications

(15 marks each)

- 2) Describe the following with respect to the ELORAN system:
 - a) Pulse Format
 - b) Phase Coding
 - c) Blink
 - d) Secondary Coding Delay
 - e) Group Repetition Interval
 - f) Envelope and Cycle matching

(05 marks each)

- 3)
 - a) List the organizations that are eligible to obtain LRIT information.

(04 marks)
 - b) Describe importance of Data Distribution Plan in LRIT.

(06 marks)
 - c) What is SOTDMA with reference to AIS?

(10 marks)
 - d) Describe the identification of AIS SART and how to distinguish “Test” and “Activation”.

(10 marks)

- 4) Describe the errors encountered in GPS system.

(30 marks)

5)

- a) i. Define Coefficient “J”
ii. Explain in a simple sketch the H/E correcting system
(05 marks each)
- b) A vessel is found to possess a H/E (heeling error) of 5° E on a heading 030° C when heeled 6° to Starboard.
What would be her H/E on a heading of 300° C when heeled 4° Port?
(10 marks)
- c) Define all following coefficients and explain with the aid of a sketch how any one out of any are minimized or eliminated.
A, B, C, D and E
(10 marks)

6) Fibre optic Gyro compasses are used in modern day navigation replacing conventional mechanical Gyro compass.

- a) Explain fully how fibre optic gyro compasses work to determine north.
(15 marks)
- b) Sketch and label a block diagram of a fibre optic gyro compass.
(15 marks)