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**Human Values and Professional Ethics-II**

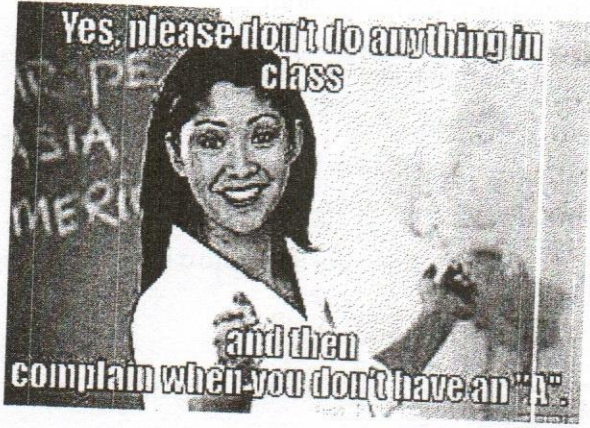
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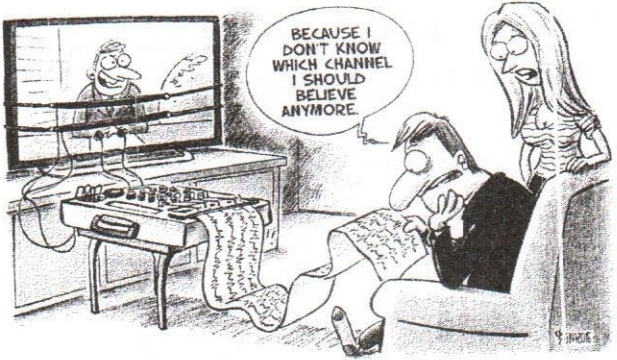
Time: 2 hours

Max. Marks: 40

Note: Answer all questions from **Part-A** and any **Four** from **Part-B**

**Part-A (4 × 2 = 8 Marks)**

Q. No.	Stem of the question	M	L	CO	PO
1.	Ethical accountability for a student means taking responsibility for their actions and behavior and ensuring that they align with ethical standards. Write two examples for the given statement	2	3	1	10,12
2.	What is your opinion on the meme given below? 	2	4	2	10,12
3.	Let's say a person uses a weak password like "123456" for their online banking account. An attacker can easily guess this password and gain access to their bank account, allowing them to transfer funds, view account balances, or even steal their identity. This could lead to serious financial loss and damage to the person's credit score. On the other hand, if the person had used a strong, complex password with a combination of letters, numbers, and special characters, it would have been much harder for the attacker to guess or crack the password, and their account would have been much more secure.  What do you understand from the example given above? Why is password protection very important?	2	3	3	10,12

4.	<p>What is your understanding of the cartoon given below:</p> 	2	3	4	10,12
<b>Part-B (4 × 8 = 32 Marks)</b>					
5. a)	<p>A high school student named Jack was caught stealing his classmate's smartphone during a class break. The teacher noticed that Jack was using a new smartphone, which was identical to the one that had been reported missing. Upon questioning, Jack initially denied stealing the phone but later admitted to taking it without permission. The classmate whose phone had been stolen was upset and demanded that Jack be punished severely.</p> <p>How would you handle this situation as a teacher or school administrator, keeping in mind ethical accountability for the student who stole?</p>	5	3	1	10,12
b)	<p>What value orientation emphases are embedded in the following list of statements or proverbs?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The person who has achieved success has lived well, laughed often, and loved much. Value emphasis:</li> <li>2. The person who stands alone excites our imagination. Value emphasis:</li> <li>3. One finger cannot lift a pebble. Value emphasis:</li> </ol>	3	3	1	10,12
6. a)	<p>Here's a case of ethical issues at work in the context of working from home:</p> <p>Case: John is an employee who has been working from home due to the pandemic. His manager, Sarah, notices that his productivity has been decreasing lately. She decides to monitor John's work by using a software that takes screenshots of his computer every few minutes Sarah discovers</p>	4	3	2	10,12

	that John has been spending a lot of time browsing social media, shopping online, and watching videos during work hours.				
	What are the Ethical issues involved in this case?				
b)	<p>Maria is a mental health counselor. One day, her friend Sarah comes to her for counseling. Sarah confides in Maria that she has been struggling with a severe drug addiction, and is worried about the impact it will have on her family and her job. Maria understands the importance of confidentiality in her work and is committed to maintaining Sarah's privacy. However, later that day, Maria runs into Sarah's supervisor at a local coffee shop. The supervisor asks Maria if Sarah has been showing up to work on time and whether there are any concerns they should be aware of. Maria is torn between her duty to keep Sarah's information confidential and her obligation to inform Sarah's supervisor about the situation. What should Maria do?</p>	4	3	2	10,12
7. a)	<p>Nina is a high school student who has been receiving hateful and threatening messages on social media from a classmate named Tom. The messages are personal attacks on her appearance and character, and they have become so frequent and intense that Nina no longer feels safe at school or online. She has tried blocking Tom and reporting him to the school administration, but nothing seems to have worked. Nina is afraid to speak up to anyone else about the bullying, and her grades and mental health are suffering as a result.</p> <p>Question:</p> <p>What actions can Nina take to protect herself from cyberbullying and seek help from others? How can schools and communities prevent and address cyberbullying among students?</p>	4	4	3	10,12
b)	<p>A young man named Alex passed away suddenly due to a brain aneurysm. His parents were informed that Alex had signed up to be an organ donor, and they were faced with the decision of whether or not to follow through with his wishes. Alex's parents were hesitant to donate his organs due to religious beliefs that the body must be buried intact. However, they ultimately decided to honor Alex's wishes and donated his organs to save the lives of others.</p> <p>Question: What are some ethical considerations when it comes to organ donation? How can healthcare providers and families ensure that the donor's wishes are respected while also providing the best possible care for the recipient?</p>	4	4	3	10,12
8. a)	<p>A popular celebrity is caught on camera engaging in a controversial behavior, which goes viral on social media. A journalist working for a reputable news outlet publishes an article about the incident and shares</p>	4	4	4	10,12

	<p>the footage, which further amplifies its reach. The celebrity feels that their privacy has been violated and the journalist's actions are unethical.</p> <p>Question: What are the ethical considerations that the journalist should have taken into account before publishing the article and sharing the footage? How can media outlets balance the public's right to information with an individual's right to privacy, especially in cases involving celebrities?</p>				
b)	<p>A patient with advanced cancer is suffering from severe pain and requests that their physician administer a lethal dose of medication to end their life.</p> <p>Question: What are the ethical considerations for the physician in this situation? Should the physician grant the patient's request and administer the lethal dose of medication? What are the potential legal and professional consequences for the physician? How can the physician balance the patient's autonomy with their duty to preserve life and adhere to ethical principles of non-maleficence and beneficence?</p>	4	3	4	10,12
9. a)	<p>Read this parable and answer the questions given.</p> <p>JESSICA is a young woman who has just graduated from college and is looking for a job. She comes across an advertisement for a company that she has always dreamed of working for, and applies for the position. After a series of interviews, she is offered the job.</p> <p>On her first day at work, her boss, MR. SMITH, asks her to do something that she knows is unethical and goes against her values. Jessica is torn between her desire to keep her job and her desire to maintain her integrity.</p> <p>She turns to her co-worker, MEGAN, for advice. Megan tells her, "You're lucky to have this job. Just do what the boss says and don't make trouble."</p> <p>Jessica is still uncertain, so she turns to her former professor, DR. BROWN, for guidance. Dr. Brown tells her, "Always do what is right, even if it is difficult or unpopular."</p> <p>Feeling reassured, Jessica decides to refuse her boss's request and explain her reasons. MR. SMITH becomes angry and tells her that if she does not do what he says, she will lose her job.</p> <p>Jessica is now faced with a difficult decision. She can either compromise her values and do what her boss wants, or she can stand firm and risk losing her job.</p>	4	3	1	10,12

	What would you do if you were in Jessica's situation? What values do you think are important in this situation? How would you balance your personal values and professional responsibilities?				
b)	<p>Case: Sarah is a financial advisor working for a large investment firm. One of her clients is considering investing in a company where Sarah's husband works as a senior executive. Sarah believes that the company is a good investment opportunity and is confident that her husband's position will ensure the success of the investment. What should Sarah do?</p> <p>Question: What are the potential consequences of Sarah advising her client to invest in the company where her husband works? How can Sarah maintain her professional ethics in this situation?</p>	4	4	2	10,12
10. a)	<p>During a political campaign, a candidate for a national election creates a TV ad that claims that their opponent is in favor of policies that would hurt the economy and negatively impact the lives of ordinary citizens. The ad includes footage of the opponent's speeches and images that are taken out of context to make it appear as though they are supporting the harmful policies.</p> <p>Question: What are the ethical concerns with using false or misleading propaganda in political advertising, and what steps should be taken to ensure the accuracy and truthfulness of political campaign ads?</p>	4	4	3	10,12
b)	<p>Dr. Smith is a surgeon who performs elective cosmetic surgeries on his patients. He has a high success rate, and his patients are generally happy with their results. However, Dr. Smith has a habit of pressuring his patients to undergo additional procedures, even when they express hesitancy or concern.</p> <p>One of Dr. Smith's patients, Ms. Jones, underwent a breast augmentation procedure with him. She was happy with the results and had no plans for further surgeries. However, during a follow-up appointment, Dr. Smith strongly recommended that she undergo a tummy tuck as well, citing "complementary" benefits to her overall appearance. Ms. Jones was hesitant, but Dr. Smith continued to pressure her, even offering her a discounted rate if she scheduled the procedure on the spot.</p> <p>Question:</p> <p>What ethical principles are at play in this case, and what should Ms. Jones do in response to Dr. Smith's pressure to undergo a tummy tuck procedure?</p>	4	3	4	10,12

M : Marks; L: Blom's Taxonomy Level; CO; Course Outcome; PO: Programme Outcome

i)	Blooms Taxonomy Level - 1	10%
ii)	Blooms Taxonomy Level - 2	20%
iii)	Blooms Taxonomy Level - 3 & 4	70%

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