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**B. Tech. (Hon's) (Fifth Semester) Examination,
Nov.-Dec. 2023**

**(Computer Science and Engg. Branch - Artificial
Intelligence)**

CRYPTOGRAPHY and NETWORK SECURITY

Time Allowed : Three hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Minimum Pass Marks : 35

*Note : All questions are compulsory. Part (a) of each
unit is compulsory and carries 4 marks.
Attempt any two parts from (b), (c) and (d)
and carries 8 marks each.*

Unit-I

1. (a) Define symmetric cipher model

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- (b) Explain how steganography can be used to enhance security in communication. 8
- (c) Discuss the Limitations of Perfect Secrecy. 8
- (d) Describe Shannon's theorem and its significance in cryptography. 8

Unit-II

- 2. (a) What is modular arithmetic and give a simple example? 4
- (b) How does prime factorization underpin the security of modern cryptographic methods? 8
- (c) Explain discrete logarithms and their applications in cryptography. 8
- (d) Describe computations in finite fields and their relevance to cryptography. 8

Unit-III

- 3. (a) Briefly explain what a pseudorandom function is. 4
- (b) Summarize the DES encryption process. 8

- (c) Describe different modes of operation in block ciphers. 8
- (d) Discuss the vulnerabilities of DES and methods to increase its security. 8

Unit-IV

- 4. (a) Define public-key cryptography. 4
- (b) Outline the Diffie-Hellman Key Agreement process. 8
- (c) Explain the RSA algorithm and discuss its security. 8
- (d) Compare and contrast private and public-key encryption. 8

Unit-V

- 5. (a) What is a hash function? 4
- (b) Explain the concept of Collision-Resistant Hash Functions. 8
- (c) Describe the role of Secure Message Authenticate Codes in network security. 8

(d) Discuss the SHA-512 hash algorithm and its advantages over its predecessors.

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