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**Learning log 9 – Professional responsibilities and Codes of Ethics**

As the lecturer said the intellectual property is what makes us human and separate us from animals. Intellectual property basically means the assets which is intangible. No one can steal our intelligence our creativity and ideas or to be used by others. Everyone has IP in different levels.

Ff I talk about the knowledge I'm gaining from studying, it cannot be undone or to be used by other people or to steal from me. As it mentioned in the lecture, I will be able to earn reputation and financial benefits just for myself by using my intellectual properties. As an example if I create a website in future, no one can copy the logos, the iconic designs or the data from it under the copyright. Similarly, if I invent some device or software I should take a patent certificate in order to protect my invention from being copied and from being stolen. This lecture made me aware of it. In this semester we are creating a website for our client company called “POCO CASA” and they are the only company in Sri Lanka who has the patent certificate for kids’ playpens. Lots of people measure the quality just by looking at the certificate. And the product is exclusive in the market by the company name. When we are observing about this company we could see that there is another level of recommendation in ‘daraz’ (one of the most popular online shopping websites) for the playpens which has the name of POCOCASA. As web developers, we also consider about this certificate because it adds value to our software in the market as well. I experienced it by myself. So licensing of our IP will give us so many benefits in future. Actually, I feel proud about our client because he has spent half of his life in USA and did all his studies in there. But still came to Sri Lanka and started a successful business. We all should be encouraged to invent new things and the world will give the proper validation and reputation for your own intellectual property one day.