

BT (Hons) in Information and Communication Technology Degree Programme

INFORMATION SECURITY-ITIC 3123

Assignment 02

Instructions:

This an individual assignment.

Deadline: 02nd April 2024 on or before 2.30PM.

Submission Type: Softcopy (Write a short answers).

Use attached cover page.

QUESTIONS

- 1. What are the key differences between substitution ciphers and transposition ciphers? Provide examples of each type and explain how they work.
- 2. Explain the concept of a polyalphabetic cipher.
- 3. How does the Vigenère cipher improve simple substitution ciphers?
- 4. Discuss the challenges in cryptanalysis of polyalphabetic ciphers.
- 5. What role did the Caesar cipher play in ancient cryptography, and how does it relate to modern cryptographic techniques?
- 6. Explain the concept of a one-time pad and its properties in terms of security and practicality.
- 7. How did the development of modern cryptographic algorithms, such as AES and RSA, improve upon classic cryptographic techniques?
- 8. Discuss the key advancements and features of modern cryptography.
- 9. What ethical considerations should be taken into account when studying classic cryptographic techniques?
- 10. How do these techniques relate to contemporary issues of privacy, surveillance, and cybersecurity?