# Task 8: VPN Setup and Privacy Awareness

## Objective

The objective of this task is to understand how VPNs help in protecting privacy and securing communication over the internet.

## Process

1. I selected a free VPN service and created an account.  
2. I downloaded and installed the VPN client on my system.  
3. I connected to a VPN server in a nearby location.  
4. I checked my IP address before and after connecting to confirm the change.  
5. I browsed a website to ensure that the connection was encrypted and working properly.  
6. I disconnected from the VPN and compared browsing speed and IP address again.

## Learning

From this task, I learned how VPNs change the IP address to protect privacy. I understood how VPNs encrypt internet traffic to make it secure. I also realized that VPNs cannot give complete anonymity and they may sometimes slow down internet speed.