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GROUP PAPER 1: “FROM EASTERN TO WESTERN THOUGHTS”

According to the 2 insights we came up with, is that Western concept on the term "Karma" is used freely as just a word itself. First insight that we saw is that "Karma" Is explained to be a subconscious action leading yourself to your own demise. An example of this is the guilt of a person who murdered or took another one's life. The guilt then is subconsciously feeding the person to commit or apprehend himself/herself to proper authorities. The second insight that our group has come up with is that the western concept of "Karma" is nothing more than a huge hoax. Western concepts believe that the word karma is non-existent, meaning that there is no "Higher power" that controls our faiths or destiny. With that being said this is Our first insight on eastern karma is that they directly connect karma as a result of a person's actions that affect their fate or next lives which means that your actions affect your next life, if you act poorly in your present life you will be reincarnated as something hideous or revaluing like cockroaches, lizards, etc. Second insight on eastern karma is that they treat karma as a deity or a supreme being that balances and control the outcome of your life, karma for them is not to be disrespected or rather respected because they treat it with such high regards or praise. Karma means action, work or deed; it also refers to the spiritual principle of cause and effect where intent and actions of an

individual (cause) influence the future of that individual (effect). Good intent and good deeds contribute to good karma and happier rebirths, while bad intent and bad deeds contribute to bad karma and bad rebirths.

DIGITAL HEROIN (Karma)

As we observe since we are still teenagers and what we felt when we we're still younger, our parents have the responsibility for monitoring the use of gadget of their children/s. We teenagers and children/s most of the time have no control of our usage of gadget due to playing video games, surfing through social medias and watching random videos on YouTube that helps us stay awake for a long period of time without noticing that we are wasting our time to non-important things that makes our time unproductively. And if this continues, it will lead to a person from becoming a slave to these technologies. This person will never be able to let his/her gadget out of their sights, as if it is glued to their hands. Though these gadgets may be a big use to us, the disadvantages also cannot be helped. The impact of these gadgets will either cause harm or be essential to a person depending on how they use it in their daily life. It will be either: you will make the technology control you or you will control them. With the help of our parents that has the responsibility of monitoring the usage of gadget to remind us that we should value our time because We believe that there is a saying that "Time is Gold" and the usage of gadget is like a drug to us teenagers that keeps us distracted from the things that we should be doing instead of playing and surfing on social medias.

Karma beliefs, particularly among Buddhists, are like a book-keeping system in which good and bad thoughts and deeds are debited and credited (Bronkhorst, 2011; Gowans, 2014). It is the balance of these accounts that ultimately matters. This type of incremental impersonal accounting of karmic gains and losses differs from the moral judgment made by gods. The clear accounting of every action may increase the moral salience and significance of every single action as compared with a system based on an ultimate final moment of judgment by a deity. Thus, this type of incremental accounting may put more emphasis on doing good deeds rather than just not doing bad deeds. As we understand in this paper Karma is to be a subconscious action leading yourself to our own demise. And our parents have the responsibility of monitoring of how we use our gadget in everything if we are using our gadget's productively or for our own pleasure only.