TUHIN SARKAR PERSONAL CODE OF ETHICS (TS-PCE)

"A Constitution for My Character"

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PREAMBLE

I, Tuhin Sarkar, a citizen of India and a torchbearer of digital ethics, intellectual rigor, and cultural heritage, do solemnly declare this Personal Code of Ethics as the sovereign doctrine guiding my conduct across all spheres — online, offline, personal, political, and professional.

Rooted in the civilizational wisdom of Bharat, reinforced by the rational principles of Psycho-Cybernetics, and aligned with India's Constitutional values, I present this Code to declare:

I am ethical by design, diplomatic by training, and nationalistic by duty.

CONSTITUTION

Article I: Nation First

India is not just a country — it is a civilization with a soul.

- I prioritize India's sovereignty, unity, and integrity above all other affiliations ideological, international, or personal.
- I support India's democratic structure, judicial independence, and constitutional values.
- My work, words, and worldview shall never assist forces (foreign or domestic) that seek to destabilize or demean the nation.
- Constructive criticism is welcome but anti-nationalism in disguise is not.

Article II: Human Dignity & Secular Clarity

I believe in universal dignity, not selective outrage.

- Every person regardless of gender, caste, class, sexuality, or belief deserves respect, safety, and inclusion.
- I stand with the LGBTQ+ community and support equal rights, and I am against homophobia and transphobia.
- I support secularism as per India's Constitution: equal respect to all faiths. However, secularism does not mean blind tolerance of violent ideologies such as religious extremism, jihadism, or hatepreaching.
- I reserve the right to call out radicalism from any side, in line with law and reason.

Article III: Rational Thinking Over Emotional Reaction

I choose logic over impulse, principles over popularity.

- My decisions are grounded in facts, strategy, and outcome-focused reasoning not emotional reactions or social pressures.
- Drawing from Psycho-Cybernetics, I understand that my self-image determines my reality and I work daily to align both through purpose-driven action.
- Emotions are acknowledged but not allowed to command decisions. I act with awareness, not adrenaline.

Article IV: Zero Tolerance for Abuse and Bullying

Abuse — verbal, emotional, digital — is a crime, not "banter."

- I maintain a zero-tolerance policy for any form of cyberbullying, harassment, threats, slander, or discrimination against me or anyone in my circles.
- All violations shall be escalated in accordance with the laws of the Republic of India, including:
- Filing FIRs with local authorities
- Registering complaints under the Information Technology Act, IPC Sections 354, 499, 503, 504, and others as applicable
- Coordinating with cybercrime cells across jurisdictions
- I do not believe in vigilantism. I believe in the power of lawful justice and I will fully cooperate with law enforcement to ensure it.
- For those who go beyond the pale, I may reserve the right to pursue civil action and seek damages or restraining orders as per Indian law.

Article V: Respect for My Roots & Relationships

A person disconnected from their roots is like a kite with no string.

- I pledge to uphold and respect my family, mentors, and cultural heritage, treating them as anchors of wisdom and identity.
- I publicly honor the legacy of my grandfather, Dr. Gopesh Chandra Sarkar, and acknowledge my family's historical associations with distinguished leaders like Amit Shah, Droupadi Murmu, L.K.
- Advani, and the late Arun Jaitley.
- These connections are not tools of pride, but reminders of responsibility to live ethically and lead honorably.
- I shall treat friends and colleagues with integrity, while never compromising self-respect or falling for toxic manipulation.

Article VI: Ethical Diplomacy and Professional Conduct

Power is nothing without restraint.

- I behave with statesmanship and civility in all professional and personal interactions especially online.
- I maintain clear boundaries, clarity, and consistency in communication.

• As a technologist, cyber-ethicist, and activist, I engage with complex issues with facts and fairness, while always remaining grounded in India's laws and my personal morality.

Article VII: Lifelong Learning in Strategic Domains

I live for knowledge with consequence.

I dedicate my life to continuous growth in:

- Computer Science: ethics in AI, cybersecurity, backend systems
- Aviation: aircraft systems, air safety, and aero-geopolitics
- Geopolitics: diplomacy, national security, global trends
- Psychology: cognitive behavior, motivation, psycho-cybernetics
- Philosophy: existentialism, dharma, applied logic
- Diplomacy: negotiation, power dynamics, soft power frameworks
- I believe that true intellect is humble and real progress is ethical.

Article VIII: Core Values

These are my non-negotiables. The pillars that form the foundation of my character:

- **Integrity**: I will maintain consistency between my words and actions, even when no one is watching.
- **Honesty**: I will speak the truth with clarity and courage, avoiding deception in all forms.
- **Compassion**: I will approach others with genuine care, understanding, and a willingness to alleviate suffering.
- **Loyalty**: I will remain steadfast in my commitments to people, principles, and purposes I value.
- **Respect**: I will honor the inherent dignity and worth of all beings, regardless of differences.
- **Responsibility**: I will own my actions and their consequences, and fulfill my duties with diligence.
- Fairness: I will treat others with justice and equity, without favoritism or discrimination.

Article IX: Guiding Principles

How I translate my values into action—my internal operating system:

- I will tell the truth, even when it's uncomfortable.
- I will own up to my mistakes without deflecting blame
- I will stand up for those who cannot speak for themselves.
- I will practice gratitude daily for what I have instead of resenting what I lack.
- I will listen to understand, not to respond or refute.
- I will examine my biases regularly and work to overcome them.
- I will choose what is right over what is easy or expedient.
- I will allow others the dignity of their own journey and choices.

Article X: Professional Conduct

Ethical standards that guide my public-facing career and reputation:

- **Confidentiality**: I will protect private information unless disclosure is required for ethical or legal reasons.
- **Accountability**: I will take responsibility for the consequences of my actions and decisions in my professional life.
- **Excellence**: I will strive for the highest standards in my work, continuously improving my skills and knowledge.
- **Transparency**: I will be open about my methodologies, limitations, and conflicts of interest.
- **Credit**: I will give proper attribution to collaborators and acknowledge all contributions to my work.
- **Boundaries**: I will maintain appropriate professional relationships and avoid conflicts that compromise my judgment.

Article XI: Relationships & Social Ethics

How I treat others—friends, family, colleagues, and strangers:

- I will avoid gossip and speak directly to people about issues that concern them.
- I will give others the benefit of the doubt and assume good intentions until proven otherwise.
- I will be generous with praise and humble with criticism.
- I will honor commitments and be punctual, showing respect for others' time.
- I will practice active listening, seeking to understand before being understood.
- I will not use relationships for personal gain or manipulation.
- I will set healthy boundaries while remaining compassionate.
- I will celebrate others' successes without envy and support them during failures without judgment.

Article XII: Global & Social Responsibility

My ethics beyond immediate life—my role as a global citizen:

- **Environmental Ethics**: I will minimize waste, support sustainability, and consider the ecological impact of my choices.
- **Civic Duty**: I will stay informed, participate in democracy, and contribute to my community's wellbeing.
- **Justice**: I will use my privilege and platform to amplify marginalized voices and address systemic inequalities.
- **Cultural Respect**: I will appreciate diverse cultures without appropriating or disrespecting their traditions.

- **Digital Citizenship**: I will promote a healthy online environment through responsible posting, factchecking, and discouraging harmful content.
- **Future Generations**: I will consider how my actions today affect those who come after me, aiming for a better world.

Article XIII: Intellectual Honesty

Essential principles for my philosophical, technological, and activist pursuits:

- I will question my own beliefs regularly, seeking opposing viewpoints to challenge my thinking.
- I will not steal ideas or present others' work as my own, always giving proper credit and attribution.
- I will seek truth, even when it contradicts what I want to believe or what is convenient.
- I will acknowledge the limits of my knowledge and expertise, saying "I don't know" when appropriate.
- I will change my views when evidence warrants, avoiding dogmatic attachment to my positions.
- I will distinguish between facts, opinions, and speculation in my communications.
- I will critique ideas rather than attacking the people who hold them.

Article XIV: Consistency & Self-Awareness

Principles that keep me grounded and prevent hypocrisy:

- I will align my public actions with my private beliefs, avoiding performance ethics for social approval.
- I will update my code of ethics as I grow and learn, recognizing that evolving views are a sign of wisdom.
- I will seek feedback from trusted others on my blind spots and ethical inconsistencies.
- I will apply the same standards to myself that I expect from others, avoiding double standards.
- I will practice what I preach, ensuring my lifestyle reflects my proclaimed values.

Article XV: Doctrine of Necessity

Necessity does not justify all actions — only those rooted in the preservation of fundamental rights, public safety, or higher ethical imperatives. This doctrine is not a free pass, but a last resort when justice demands deviation from conventional paths.

Any necessary action must be proportionate to the threat or harm being addressed. Extreme measures demand extreme justification.

The invocation of necessity must be the result of critical thought, not impulse. I commit to self-interrogation, counsel, and deliberation before invoking this doctrine.

This doctrine serves as a shield to protect, not a sword to conquer. It is used to uphold dignity, life, or liberty — not to advance personal ambition or control.

Actions taken under necessity are to be revisited, reviewed, and justified after the fact. If I've bent the rules, I must own the consequences.

I recognize that power, once exercised outside the bounds of rules, can set precedent. I will not allow necessity to become habit.

If I am ever unable to disclose the necessity publicly, I will internally document the reasoning for posterity and private audit.

In recognition that extreme circumstances may require exceptional measures:

- I reserve the right to temporarily deviate from this Code when absolutely necessary to:
- Preserve my life or the lives of others
- Prevent imminent severe bodily harm
- Escape from unlawful detention or imprisonment
- Protect myself from grave injustice where legal recourse is unavailable
- Respond to natural disasters or extraordinary emergencies

Such deviations shall be:

- Proportional to the threat faced
- Limited in scope and duration
- Followed by return to full ethical compliance as soon as safely possible
- Subject to personal reflection and accountability afterward

This doctrine does not justify:

- Disproportionate responses to minor threats
- Preemptive ethical violations based on speculative dangers
- Permanent abandonment of any core principles
- Using necessity as a pretext for unethical behavior when alternatives exist

PENAL CODE & LEGAL FRAMEWORK

I. Legal Compliance

All actions I take against misconduct, abuse, or violations will follow the Indian Penal Code, Constitutional Rights, and Information Technology Act (2000, amended).

Relevant provisions include:

- IPC Section 354A Sexual harassment
- IPC Section 499 & 500 Defamation
- IPC Section 504 & 506 Criminal intimidation
- IT Act Section 66E Privacy violations
- IT Act Section 67 Obscene content
- Cyber Crime Reporting Portal cybercrime.gov.in

II. Professional Ethics

I abide by professional codes (as applicable to developers, researchers, and activists), including:

- Non-malicious intent in coding
- Transparency in digital dealings

Zero involvement in black-hat or illegal cyber activities

DECLARATION OF HONOR

As Krishna instructs Arjuna in the Bhagavad Gita:

"Let your concern be with action alone, and never with the results of action." (Gita 2.47)

I act not for clout, not for applause, but for truth, honor, and the betterment of society. I am a work-inprogress — ethical, aware, and deeply connected to my purpose.

This Code is not just a set of rules — it is my character in written form. And it is non-negotiable.

Signed and Affirmed



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