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Programme: B.E.

Branch: Computer Science And Engineering

Course Code: 21CS7PEBLC

Course: Blockchain

Semester: VII

Duration: 3 hrs.

Max Marks: 100

Instructions: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each unit.
 2. Missing data, if any, may suitably assumed.

UNIT - I

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| 1 | a) What is Byzantine fault tolerance? How is it relevant to Blockchain? 8 |
| | b) Explain the three properties of cryptographic hash functions. 6 |
| | c) Demonstrate the steps in creating digital signature using the Elliptic Curve Digital signature algorithm. 6 |

UNIT - II

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| 2 | a) Illustrate Merkle tree visualization with a neat diagram and explain it's relevance to Blockchain. 10 |
| | b) Bring out the differences between hard fork versus soft fork and illustrate the same with an example. 10 |

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| 3 | a) Compare and list the differences as well as the similarities between private and public blockchain. 6 |
| | b) Illustrate with an example the complete lifecycle of a transaction in a Blockchain application. 8 |
| | c) Discuss the advantages of Blockchain over the conventional distributed systems. 6 |

UNIT - III

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| 4 | a) Illustrate the execution environment of Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM) with a neat diagram. 10 |
| | b) Design a smart contract for the following scenario: A bidding application where everyone can send their bids during a bidding period. The bids include sending money / ether in order to bind the bidders to their bid. If the highest bid is raised, the previously highest bidder gets his/her money back. 10 |

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| 5 | a) Design a smart contract illustrating different methods to send ether from one account to another in solidity. 10 |
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b) Explain any one vulnerability and demonstrate with an example one attack on the vulnerability. **10**

UNIT - IV

6 a) Illustrate with a neat diagram the process of consensus mechanism using GHOST. **8**

b) Discuss the applications of Blockchain in the field of Medical Record Management System. **6**

c) Illustrate the Bitcoin consensus algorithm which is not vulnerable to Sybil attacks. **6**

UNIT - V

7 a) Explain Nakamoto consensus where the leader is elected and proposes a final value. **8**

b) Differentiate between Proof of Work and Proof of Stake. **6**

c) Show how the high energy consumption in Proof of Work is overcome using Proof of Burn. **6**
