

IMSc (CSF) (NEP) Sem.-3 Examination
DSC-C-ICSF-231T

Cyber Security Fundamentals-I
November-2025

Time : 2-00 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 50

Question 1: Answer the following questions:

- i. What are the components of the CIA Triad? Explain each with an example. 5 Marks
- ii. Define threat, vulnerability, exploit, risk, and impact. Illustrate their relationship with a simple scenario. 5 Marks

OR

- i. Compare encoding, encryption, and hashing. Provide examples and explain when each should be used. 5 Marks
- ii. Explain the different types of web application attacks. 5 Marks

Question 2: Answer the following questions:

- i. Describe a brute-force attack and explain its various types. 5 Marks
- ii. Detail the Identity and Access Management lifecycle stages step-by-step 5 Marks

OR

- i. Differentiate between DAC, RBAC, ABAC, MAC, and JIT access control models. 5 Marks
- ii. Describe the phases of penetration testing. 5 Marks

Question 3: Answer the following questions:

- i. Explain the difference between authentication and authorization with an example. 5 Marks
- ii. Describe how Role-Based Access Control (RBAC) helps in regulating access to resources. Include its benefits and limitations. 5 Marks

OR

- i. Explain Nmap and describe any five commonly used Nmap commands with examples. 5 Marks
- ii. Describe cyber threats, Phishing, Ransomware, APTs, Insider Threats, and Social Engineering. 5 Marks

Question 4: Answer the following questions:

- i. Explain major data protection and compliance laws DPDP 2023, GDPR, PCI DSS, and HIPAA. 5 Marks
- ii. What is cyberbullying? Explain its types with suitable examples. 5 Marks

OR

i. What is Chip Technology? Explain its types.

5 Marks

ii. What is Firewall? Explain its types?

5 Marks

Question 5: Attempt any ten out of twelve.

10 Marks

1. In a DMZ, services are placed:
 - a) On internal network only
 - b) In an isolated network zone exposed to internet
 - c) On client devices
 - d) D. In the same VLAN as endpoints
2. During the "gaining access" phase, ethical hackers:
 - a) Identify vulnerabilities
 - b) Exploit the system to enter
 - c) Install patches
 - d) Delete logs
3. Which penetration testing approach assumes no prior knowledge of the target system?
 - a) White-box testing
 - b) Gray-box testing
 - c) Black-box testing
 - d) Open-box testing
4. What is the key difference between ethics and laws in the context of cybersecurity?
5. A law protecting children's online privacy in the US is: _____.
6. Which access model grants permissions based on user attributes like time and location?
7. Public Key Infrastructure's trust anchor that issues certificates is called: _____.
8. Define cryptography in one sentence.
9. What is chip technology used for in cybersecurity?
10. Mention one common method used in automobile hacking.
11. What does IDS/IPS stand for in cybersecurity?
12. An attack that overwhelms a service with traffic is: _____.

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