

(3 Hours)

(Total Marks: 80)

- N.B.:**
- 1. Question No. 1 is compulsory.**
 - 2. Answer any three out of the remaining questions.**
 - 3. Assume suitable data if necessary.**
 - 4. Figures to the right indicate full marks.**

- Q1. Attempt the following (any 4):** (20)
- Explain Gas and Ethers in detail.
 - What is the fundamental difference between a hot wallet and a cold wallet in the context of blockchain and cryptocurrency storage?
 - Explain the concept of an orphaned block.
 - Describe how solidity supports multiple inheritance with an example.
 - Compare Bitcoin and Ethereum.
- Q2. Attempt the following:**
- Differentiate between public, private and consortium blockchain. (10)
 - Differentiate between PoW, PoS, PoB & PoET. (10)
- Q3. Attempt the following:**
- Explain Merkle Tree with the help of an example. (10)
 - What is mining difficulty and how is it calculated in a proof-of-work? Explain with an example. (10)
- Q4. Attempt the following:**
- Write and elaborate a code in solidity to explain visibility and activity qualifiers. (10)
 - Explain view function and pure function in solidity with suitable examples. (10)
- Q5. Attempt the following:**
- Explain state machine replication with suitable example. (10)
 - Explain RAFT consensus algorithm with a suitable example. (10)
- Q6. Write short notes on (any 2):** (20)
- Role of smart contracts in decentralized finance (DeFi)
 - Ripple
 - Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM)
 - Mining pool and its methods
