



Center for Buddhist AI Ethics
Seminar Series on Buddhist AI Ethics

Purposes : Promoting Buddhist philosophical understanding & AI ethics
Target Audiences : Researchers, teachers/ educators and university students
Venue : CamTech University

12 Tentative Topics for the Seminar Series on Buddhist Ethics to be discussed throughout the year (One topic per month):

1. Introduction to Buddhism:

- Emergence of Buddhism & first teaching
- The three Buddha's teachings:
 - Doing no evil acts
 - Doing all good acts
 - Purifying mind

2. The Five Precepts (Sīla, = Code of Conduct):

- To refrain from destroying living creatures.
- To desist from taking that which is not offered.
- To not indulge in sexual misconduct.
- Not to indulge in incorrect speech
- Refrain from intoxicating drinks and drugs

3. Four Noble Truths:

- Dukkha (pain and misery/ suffering)
- Samudaya (the origin of pain and misery)
- Nirodha (the cessation of pain and misery)
- Magga (the way to stop pain and misery)

4. Eightfold Noble Path (Sīla, Samādhi, Paññā):

- Right understanding
- Right thought
- Right speech
- Right action
- Right work
- Right effort
- Right mindfulness
- Right meditation

5. Iddhipada Dahamma (Bases to Success):

- Chanda (willingness)
- Viriya (making efforts)
- Citta (thought/ contemplation)
- Vimamsa (reasoning/ investigation)

6. Samādhi (Meditation = Mindfulness):

- Samadha Samādhi (Samadha Kammadhana)





- Khanika/ Parikamma Samādhi
- Upacara Samādhi
- Appana Samādhi
- Vipassanā Samādhi (Vipassana Kammadhanā)

7. Paññā/ Prajna (Wisdom):

- "Wisdom" is realizing or perceiving the true nature of reality; seeing things as they are, not as they appear.
- Prajna "consciousness," "insight" or "discernment."

8. Brahmavihāra (four sublime/ divine states)

- Loving-kindness or benevolence (mettā)
- Compassion (karuṇā)
- Empathetic joy (muditā)
- Equanimity (upekkhā)

9. Fourfold ground for social harmony (Saṅgaha vatthu):

- Giving (dāna)
- Endearing speech (peyyāvajja)
- Beneficent conduct (atthacariyā)
- Impartiality (samānattatā)

10. Loka Pāla Dhamma (Ethics to maintain the world):

- Hirī = Shame of doing evil even though in the situation that no one knows it
- Ottappa = Fear of doing evil even though in the situation that no one knows it

11. Nāyaka Dhamma (6 rules for leader):

- Khamā: Tolerance/ resilience to problems
- Jāgariya: Mindfulness
- Oddhāna: Diligence/ activeness
- Samvibhāga: Sharing things
- Dayā: Compassion/ forgiveness
- Ikkhanā: Contemplation

12. Aparihāniya Dhamma (7 rules to prosperity):

- Diligently meeting to share ideas
- Agree to meet on the agreed issues regularly
- Do not overstep the provisions of the statute
- Respect the leader or president
- Not only in the power of ambition/ intoxicative ideas
- Rejoice in the public interest of the nation
- Be determined that whoever is sincere in the national interest and who is moral-safe must associate and promote that person as a leader.

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