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- 1. Introduction to philosophy: definition, nature and scope, concept, branches
- 2. Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgements and reactions

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- 1. Ethics with respect to science and research
- 2. Intellectual honesty and research integrity
- 3. Scientific misconducts: Falsification, Fabrication and Plagiarism (FFP)
- 4. Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publications, salami slicing
- 5. Selective reporting and misrepresentation of data

RPE 03: PUBLICATION ETHICS (7 hrs)

- 1. Publication ethics: definition, introduction and importance
- 2. Best practices / standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE, WAME, etc.
- 3. Conflicts of interest
- 4. Publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behaviour and vice versa, types
- 5. Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship
- 6. Identification of publication misconduct, complaints and APPEALS
- 7. Predatory publishers and journals

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- 1. Open access publications and initiatives
- SHERPA/RoMEO online resource to check publisher copyright & self-archiving policies
- 3. Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU
- 4. Journal finder / journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, Elsevier Journal Finder, Springer Journal Suggester, etc.

RPE 05: PUBLICATION MISCONDUCT (4 hrs)

- A. Group Discussion (2 hrs)
 - 1. Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship
 - 2. Conflicts of interest
 - 3. Complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad
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 - 1. Indexing databases
 - 2. Citation databases: Web of Science, Scopus etc.
- B. Research Metrices (3 hrs)
 - Impact Factor of journal as per Journal citation Report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cite Score
 - 2. Metrices: h-index, g index, i10 index, almetrices

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