



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND ETHICS

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* INTRODUCTION

"The future belongs to science and those who make friends with it."

— Jawaharlal Nehru.

Science has transformed lives and the entire world. All humans have at least considered a situation where through scientific advancement, we



would replicate human intelligence. And now, it has become a reality. Artificial Intelligence is no longer a buzzword. Today, many enjoy its benefits and lead easier lives.

Paradoxically, A.I which was designed to ease lives, has undoubtedly, jeopardised them. It is high time, we talk about Artificial Intelligence and its ethics.

* A-I — A FRIEND OR A FOE

Artificial Intelligence has changed the trajectory of human life. The most benefitted section of the society due to A.I are the students. They are the ones who readily immerse



themselves in technology and gain expertise in it. The COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated the dependence of students on A.I for their studies as it is time-efficient and costs less. Applications like Chat-GPT have helped numerous students all over the globe.

But the pressing matter here is that the over-dependence on A.I has restricted the capabilities of students. Students are supposed to learn from their mistakes. 'To err is human.' But the perfectly crafted answers the A.I gives definitely confines the students abilities. These students are the ones who become the next doctors, engineers and many others. Doesn't this actually lead to the



downfall of the society? We need to ponder upon this issue.

* A.I'S DOMINANCE OVER PHYSICAL LABOUR.

Artificial Intelligence has worked wonders in the job market. Several companies have employed A.I to automate mundane tasks and ease the labour work for their employees.

According to the World Economic Forum's report in 2023, A.I has displaced twice the ~~times~~ number of jobs it has created. Also, more than 30 million workers worldwide ^{will} have lost their jobs in the near future. The most affected



are the ones who physical labour. It is a ~~wide~~ well-known fact that labourers are paid less and with the implementation of A.I will surely cost their jobs. It is not just these people who are doomed, but their families too.

* THE CLASHES CAUSED BY A.I.

The economic prosperity of a nation propels itself to a greater heights. But should the nation favour its companies or their employees?

Unfortunately, companies exploit their workers in multiple ways. Rather than keeping their employees happier, which leads to better productivity,



companies operate in ways they can earn more profit. With the arrival of A.I, companies have found ways to make ~~extra~~^{high} profits without much costs.

Eventhough they may not account for much, freelancers are crucial in the job market. They make the best out of their skills with their opportunities and in turn, benefit their partnered ~~com~~ company too. Freelancers maybe graphic designers, writers, etc., who rely on their creativity for their livelihood.

Many renowned companies have utilised A.I for their promotion artworks and other content. Recently,



a famous movie studio garnered controversy for the reason that they used A.I. generate the script of their new movie amidst the writer's strike.

Jobs involving creativity are seeing a decline due to A.I. with increased reliance on it.

* CRIMES ASSISTED BY A.I.

One of the biggest concern of any new innovation is that it will be utilised to commit crimes. This has also become a reality due to the evil nature of humans in the case of A.I.

Art related apps like photoshop,



etc., have assisted graphic designers to produce wonderful artworks. However, it was not easy to alter people's faces in videos. This has become a reality due to an A.I application called 'Deep Fake'. Deep Fake makes people morph a person's face on another in videos. The introduction of Deep Fake in the society has led to the increase in the number of pornographic content. Women, even young girls have become victim to this. They face humiliation and are ostracised from the society.

A.I art also gives rise to multiple concerns. Many have noticed that the art generated within



seconds are actually an amalgamation of different artwork posted on the ~~and~~ internet by various artist whether it be traditional or digital. This cannot be addressed as copyright due to a multitude of reasons which cause these artists to lament.

* ILLUMINATING THE FUTURE

It is difficult to uproot a large tree as its roots have strengthened itself in the soil. One might consider uprooting A.I and its influence over the society all together completely.

However, this cannot come to



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fruition, as A.I also has its uses in the society. Eradicating a thing for its pernicious effects while ignoring its contributions is a folly.

As A.I is still in its development phase to its usefulness in the society, we must formulate strict measures to stop its misuse.

Government and NGOs must start providing upskilling and reskilling programmes targeting the ones who lost their jobs due to A.I. They benefit the most from this and can continue providing for their families.



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"Education is not learning of facts.
It is teaching the ability to think
critically."

- Albert Einstein.

Promotion of proper education is a must in the society. Students must be taught the benefits of A.I, as well as its ramifications. This will, ideally, to reduce crimes related to A.I. Students must also have their creativity promoted in creativity-oriented areas. Competitions conducted by schools, governments, NGOs which target creativity can be adopted. A prime example of this is the annual Kerala school Kalolsavam held for school students.

Government can adopt stringent laws

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and policies to fight against A-I crimes. It can also do something related to A-I and copyright.

“ Youth are not useless,
they are useless.”

— Swami Chinmayananda

Youth are the strongest force in this world. They can become a barrier against the atrocities against humans. We need to empower youth for them to realise A-I needs to have ethics in order for a well-functioning society.

* CONCLUSION

“ Science without Humanity.”
[one of 7 social sons of Gandhi]

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As a product of science, A.I needs to be doluted with the essence of humanity. The utilisation of A.I for the sake of humanity must be our goal and not by forsaking humanity.

We must remember that A.I must be used to augment human potential instead of surpassing it. This is the moral we all must learn and work towards to realise in the society. The ethical use of A.I must be implemented for the betterment of human beings.

"Now let us begin. Now let us rededicate ourselves to the long and bitter but beautiful struggle towards a better world." — Martin Luther King Jr.

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