Codes of ethiCs

The primary aspect of codes of ethics is to provide the basic frame work for ethical judgment. They are referred as codes of conduct agreed up standards for professional conduct.

The codes of ethics express the ethical principles and standards in a coherent, comprehensive and accessible manner. It defines the roles and responsibilities of profession. It helps the professional to apply moral and ethical principles to specific situations. These codes are based on:

1. Principle of ethics-integrity

2. Competence

3. Individual responsibilities

4. Professional responsibilities

5. Human concerns

Proposals for Promoting Ethics:

•Engineering societies should act as the form for debating what should be in a professional code of ethics.

•By establishing awards for engineers who exhibit commendable ethical conduct.

•By assisting and protecting engineers who have been discharged.

•Engineering societies can establish 'ethics helplines'.

•By helping to educate the public about new technologies.

•Engineering societies can also promote the discussion and understanding of engineering ethics by depicting in the application of their codes.