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- Managerial Ethics – Contrast the four views of ethics.
- Discuss the factors that affect ethical and unethical behaviour.
- Discuss the six determinants of issue intensity.
- Integrative Social Contracts Theory – Ethical decisions should be based on existing ethical norms in industries and
determinants of issue intensity. • Integrative Social Contracts Theory – Ethical decisions should be based on existing ethical norms in industries and communities • Based on integration of the general social contract and the specific contract between community members. Exhibit 4.5 Factors That Affect Ethical and Unethical Behaviour Individual Characteristics Issue Intensity. Government ethics, properly enforced, can be a valuable means for protecting against government waste and ensuring effective public administration. Such a code can prohibit many of the activities that lead to waste, including theft by public officials and use of government property for private gain. One of the more serious ethical issues in government is theft of public property by public officials. Such theft can range from the trivial, such as taking home office supplies, to the more grave, such as stealing millions of dollars from the public purse. Fraud is one of the most common, and costly, forms of theft by public officials.