Electronic (digital/cyber) forensics needs to grow in India

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Electronic (digital/cyber) crime is emerging as serious threats like hacking, phishing, e-mail threatening, cross site scripting etc. All over the world governments, police departments and intelligence units have started to prevent and secure from these crimes. Initiatives to curb cross border cyber threats are taking shape. Indian police has initiated special cyber cells across the country and have started educating the police personnel. In this article we have tried to provide a glimpse on electronic cyber crime in India.

However the IT Act, 2000, is primarily meant to be a legislation to promote e-commerce and prevent the cyber based crime. But, it is not very effective in dealing with several emerging cyber crimes like cyber harassment, defamation, stalking and this is a weak point in this act. Although cyber crime cells have been set up in major cities of India, it is noted that the problem is that most cases remain unreported due to a lack of awareness of the general people of India about the IT Act, 2000.

Biography

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