# National Seminar On

"Information Technology and Law - Issues, Concerns and Challenges"

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Osmania University was established in 1918. The University is the seventh oldest in the country and third oldest in South India. Further, it is the first in the then princely state of Hyderabad.

#### ABOUT THE LAW DEPARTMENT

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#### THEME OF THE SEMINAR

This seminar is an interdisciplinary event to provide great opportunity to Advocates, Judges, Public Prosecutors, Police Officers, Software Engineers, Academicians, Students and Research Scholars from all the disciplines. The stake holders from IT industry, Corporate Business Companies, Trade, Commerce, Banking, and Insurance have a change to learn and exchange their views and experiences on emerging trends and challenges for promoting sustainable professional communities.

Information Technology Law encounters the new challenges in the application, regulation, enforcement of IT Law in India. This seminar is intended examine how the Information Technology Act, 2000 and the Rules there under are regulating Cyberspace in India. In view of the fact that the statutory IT is still in its nascent stage in India, there are many grey areas which need to be discussed in detail for ensuring effective implementation of the IT Act, 2000 and its Rules there under in the country. In this direction it is expected that the two-day national seminar would provide an appropriate platform to the researchers, administrators, corporate houses, and the civil society organizations apart from other stakeholders to evolve necessary strategies for balancing the interests of the IT sector and the society through the concept of information technology. It is also expected to come out with suitable measures to ensure strict compliance of IT Act and Rules there under by the MNCs and other companies apart from ushering in the much needed awareness of IT Act among the citizens.

#### **OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR**

The Information Technology Act, 2000 is not to be read in isolation. It has to be read and understood with other codes, Acts, rules and regulations. The Information Technology Act is now in force and most of the rules and regulations prescribed under the Act have already been notified, adjudicating officers are being appointed, the cyber appellate tribunal is now a reality. This seminar attempts to disseminate knowledge about the information technology law by highlighting the legislative spirits beyond the enactment of Information Technology Act-2000. The Act though highly technical in some extent needs simple nontechnical explanations. For this purpose line diagrams may be used to explain the complex technological concepts.

The seminar emphasis is on looking at the practical application of law rather than merely generating an academic interest in the subject of information technology. This seminar takes a look at global issues involved, whether it is the question of jurisdiction, the aspect of defamation, freedom of expression, electronic taxation, and intellectual property rights. Moreover, these global issues have been discussed against the backdrop of emerging case law and enactments. The emphasis is more on deciphering the key legal issues and principles keeping in view the global context of internet.

Due to technological advancement of society, many issues arose in relation to the integrity and security of cyber space, information, privacy, intellectual property rights, electronic transactions, etc. In India the Information Technology Act, 2000 being the primary source of cyber law with its 2008 amended provisions is currently dealing with various issues relating to use and abuse of cyber technology. Additionally, laws such as Indian Penal Code, Indian Evidence Act, Indian Contract Act, Intellectual Property Rights [IPR] laws, banking laws etc complement the current Indian Cyber law framework.

Research and development in the area of cyber security is also of immense importance today and is the need of the day. Such research indeed must contribute and lead to further development of cyber laws and regulatory mechanisms of the country. Hence the seminar will provide a platform for the scholars and researchers from the area of cyber security laws so as to facilitate deliberation and exchange of ideas amongst them about this crucial issue of concern.

#### **SUB-THEMES**

Well researched papers on the main theme of the seminar is called for presentation in the technical sessions of the seminar. The sub themes of the seminar [not limited to] are:

- 1. Jurisprudential dimensions of Cyberspace
- 2. Cyber security and laws of India and other countries
- 3. Legal regime of Online Transactions
- 4. Role of Media vis-a-vis Consumer's Rights
- 5.Legal protections to Consumers in Online Business Transactions
- 6. IT. Act 2000 and Online Transactions
- 7. Investigation of cybercrimes-issues and concerns
- 8. Evidentiary issues in the area of cyber security
- 9. E-Governance and cyber security concerns
- 10. Human Rights and cyber space use and misuse
- 11. Judicial Response to cyber security
- 12. Cyber crimes
- 13. The above sub themes, however are illustrative nature the participant can present a paper on any topic related to the main theme.

#### TARGET AUDIENCE/PARTICIPANTS WITH EXPECTED NUMBER:

500 and above from Law Teachers, Law Students, Research Scholars from related disciplines (Law, Information Technology. Management, Commerce, Social Sciences, Arts) Advocates, Law Officers, Judges, PSU Executives, Directors etc.

#### **GUIDELINES FOR PAPER SUBMISSION**

#### **Abstract Submission:**

An abstract should be sent on or before 10th April, 2016 with not more than 250 words accompanied with a covering letter containing Title of the Paper, Full Name of the Author/ authors, Complete Address with Contact Number, and E-mial Address must be submitted as attachment via email to uclouit 16@gmail.com

- \* The last date for submission of Abstract is 10.04.2016.
- \* Acceptance of Abstract will be done on or before 12.04.2016.
- $^st$  The text of the abstract must be in MS Word Format with Times New Roman, Font of Size 12 with 1.5 Line Spacing.
- \* Abstract must be accompanied with key words.
- \* Selected Abstract of the papers will be published in the book of Abstracts.

#### **FINAL PAPER SUBMISSION:**

- \* Full papers will be accepted on or before 20.04.2016 with not more than 6000 words in MS Word, Font Size 12 with 1.5 Space. Selected full papers will be Published in Book form with ISBN.
- \* All submissions (ABSTRACT & FINAL PAPER) for the Seminar must be sent as attachment with an **E-mail ID to uclouit 16@gmail.com**

#### **VENUE OF THE SEMINAR**

Conference hall, University college of Law, Osmania University, Hyderabad.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Submission of abstract (500 words):10.04.2016Notification of accepted Abstracts:12.04.2016Full paper submission last date:20.04.2016Date of the seminar:23 & 24 April, 2016

Last date for Registration : 15.04.2016

Kindly email abstract / full paper to E-mail ID : uclouit16@gmail.com

#### **REGISTRATION FEE DETAILS:**

Academicians / Teachers and Law Professionals: Rs.1500/-

Research Scholars / Students: Rs. 1000

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