

CYBER LAW

Course Code: LLCCL003

Course duration: 45 hrs

Objective of the Course:

This course gives the student a general idea that in a technology driven society internet and information technology has huge contribution for the growth of humans but at the same time has opened numerous avenues to commit crimes. As internet has no boundaries, no geographical mass, or gravity it is a very difficult subject to control. Cyber Law is the law that controls cyber space. The course will allow the students to understand and be prepared for new kinds of challenges brought on by cyber and internet development and in the end the students will have a good knowledge about existing laws on the topic and enable them to develop and utilize technology responsibly.

Unit –I: Introduction (10 Sessions)

The internet and online resources ; Security of information; Digital signature ; Introduction about the cyber space ; Regulation of cyber space – introducing cyber law ; Scope of Cyber laws – e-commerce; online contracts; IPRs (copyright, trademarks and software patenting); e-taxation; e-governance and cyber crimes .

Unit II: Regulatory Framework (10 Sessions)

International legal regime relating to Cyber Crimes ; European Convention on Cyber Crimes ; Hague Convention on Jurisdiction and Foreign Judgments: Jurisdiction Agreement ; International legal regime relating to E-Commerce; UNCITRAL Model Law on Electronics Commerce 1996

Unit III – Cyber Law in India (13 Sessions)

Information Technology Act, 2000 – Digital Signature; E-Governance; Regulation of Certifying Authorities; Duties of Subscribers; Penalties and Adjudications; Offences under the Act; Making of Rules and Regulations etc.

Unit IV: Cyber Crimes (12 Sessions)

Introduction – computer crime and cyber crimes; Classification of cyber crimes; Distinction between cyber crime and conventional crimes; Reasons for commission of cyber crime; Cyber forensic; Cyber criminals and their objectives; Kinds of cyber crimes – cyber stalking; cyber pornography; forgery and fraud; crime related to IPRs; Cyber terrorism; computer vandalism etc.; Relevant provisions under Information Technology Act, 2000, Indian Penal Code, Pornography Act and Evidence Act etc.

Reference Books:

1. Information Technology -Law and Practice – Vakul Sharma, Universal Law Publication Ltd.
2. Information Technology Law (Cyber Laws)- SR Myneni, Asia Law House
3. Computers, Internet and New Technology laws- Karnika Seth, Lexis Nexis