



IMPACT OF SOCIAL NETWORKING ON CYBER CRIMES : A STUDY

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ABSTRACT

The Internet is a worldwide electronic computer network that connects people and information. But every technology has its own advantages and disadvantages. Internet has several advantages but it is considered as a heaven for cyber criminals. Social Media is the latest form of media available to the audience of varied groups, ages and classes. The major reason behind its popularity is that the users are given a free service to create a virtual social world where they exchange photographs, play games, become friendly, fall in love, split, fight, argue and quarrel at many times without having met physically. But, on the other side it is an encroachment to someone's privacy which can lead to different type of illegal activities by using the information such as name, location, and email addresses. The anonymity over the internet and the jurisdictional issues has given rise to cyber crimes where crime is committed with the aid assistance of computer.

KEYWORDS

Internet, cyber criminals, cyber crimes, Social Media, Awareness, Challenges and Prospects