Cyber-crime and Law (Special Reference to Sri Lanka and India)

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New media is a catch-all term for all forms of electronic communication that have appeared or will appear since the original mainly text-and-static picture forms of online communication. The Internet is based on single technical standards that allow global communication. With the emerging use of computer technology, computer-related crime and cyber-crime have become a significant global challenge.

The computer is rapidly increasing society's dependence upon it, with the result that society becomes progressively more vulnerable to computer malfunction, whether accidental or deliberately induced, and to computer manipulation and white-collar law breaking. (Weeramantry,1998). Cyber-crime encompasses any criminal act dealing with computers and networks. Although businesses in developed countries are often most affected by the abuse of Internet services to facilitate cyber-crime, the topic is equally relevant for Asian countries.

This research is qualitative research. In this research need to get a picture about cyber-crime in India and Sri Lanka. And need to study Internet related laws in selected country. In this research studied International laws about cyber space and cyber-crime and also study Sri Lankan laws and Sri Lankan cybercrime cases. And found out new suggestions to minimize cyber-crime in Sri Lanka.

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