

MOBILE RECHARGE SHOP

A Mobile Recharge Shop is a place where scamsters can gain access to your cellphone number because you have provided it to the recharge vendor. They will misuse your number to call or text you, exploit your ignorance or even emotionally manipulate you.

IT Sections Applicable

IPC Sections (to be applied to the Shop Keeper)

- IPC Section 354A/BNS 75** - Sexual Harassment and punishment for Sexual Harassment
- IPC Section 354C/ BNS 77** - Voyeurism
- IPC Section 383/384/ BNS 308** - Extortion (IF ANY DEMAND)
- IPC Section 503/BNS 351** - Criminal Intimidation
- IPC Section 506/BN 351** - Punishment for Criminal Intimidation
- IPC Section 509/BNS 79** - Word, gesture or act intended to insult modesty of a woman

IT Act:

- IT Act Section 66E** - Punishment for violation of privacy

Mobile Number Sale to Stalkers by Recharge Shop:

IPC Sections (to be applied to the Shop Keeper)

- IPC Section 109/BNS 49** - Punishment for abetment
- IPC Section 114/BNS 54** - Abettor present when offence is committed
- IPC Section 120B/BNS 61** - Punishment for Criminal Conspiracy
- IPC Section 406/BNS 316** - Punishment for Criminal Breach of Trust

Everything comes for a Charge and in case of Recharge, there's no Free Charge!

DEBIT CARD CLONING

Debit Card skimming happens when the PIN is revealed to another person. A scamster who knows the PIN and has possession of the card even for a short while can replicate the card with a skimming /schimming device and withdraw cash.

IT Sections Applicable

IT Act for cloning

Section 43: This section deals with unauthorized access to computer systems, data breaches, and other computer-related offenses.

IT Act Section 66 – Computer related offences

IT Act Section 66C – Punishment for Identity Theft

IT Act Section 66D – Punishment for cheating by personation using computer resource

Money Transaction followed by cloning:

IPC Section 419/BNS 319 – Punishment for cheating by personation

IPC Section 420/BNS 318 – Cheating

IT Act Section 66D – Punishment for cheating by personation by using computer resource.

IT Act Section 72A – This section deals with the punishment for disclosing personal information obtained in the course of providing services under the terms of lawful contract.

IT Act Section 84A – This section empowers the Central Government to prescribe modes or methods for encryption.

Cloning may blow up your Earnings!

KEYLOGGER

It is a malicious program that may be installed on the victim's computer for recording computer user keystrokes to steal passwords and other sensitive information. With Keylogger a scamster will be able to collect login details and other matter saved in the computer and have them mailed to a designated email address.

IT Sections Applicable

Key logger installation: IT Act

IT Act Section 43 – Deals with unauthorized access, damage to computer systems, and data.

IT Act Section 66 – Computer Related Offences

Stealing personal information: IT Act

IT Act Section 66C – Punishment for Identity Theft

Creating fake profile & posting private conversation :

IT Act Section 66C – Punishment for Identity Theft

IT Act Section 66D – Punishment for cheating by personation by using computer resources

IT Act Section 67 – Punishment for publishing or transmitting obscene material in electronic form

IT Act Section 67A – Punishment for publishing or transmitting of material containing sexually explicit act etc., in electronic form

IT Act Section 67B – Punishment for publishing or transmitting of material depicting children in sexually explicit act etc., in electronic form & sections of POCSO

IT Act Section 72 – Breach of Confidentiality and Privacy

IT Act Section 79 – Intermediary Liability Protection

IPC Sections:

IPC Section 354A/BNS 75 – Sexual Harassment and punishment for Sexual Harassment

**If in hard copy, IPC Sections 292/BNS 294, 293/BNS 295
294/BNS 296**

Keylogger may empty your Coffer!

SMS SPOOFING

Spoofing is being able to send a message by hiding or changing or using a completely different sender ID. Typically, when you send an SMS, your handheld device sends the message with your phone number as the originator where in you as the sender cannot alter that number.

IT Sections Applicable

Act of hoax or trick or deceive a communication

IPC Section

IPC Section 465/BNS 336 – Making a false document (FORGERY)

IPC Section 419/BNS 319 – Punishment for cheating by personation

IT Act Section 43 – While not directly related to SMS

spoofing, this section deals with unauthorized access to computer systems, which could apply if someone gains unauthorized access to systems for the purpose of carrying out SMS spoofing.

IT Act Section 43A and Section 72A: These sections deal with the compensation for failure to protect data and confidentiality of information. If SMS spoofing leads to a breach of sensitive information, these sections might come into play.

IT Act Section 66C – This section deals with identity theft. If SMS spoofing is used to impersonate someone else and commit fraud or deceive others, it could be covered under this section.

IT Act Section 66D – Punishment for cheating by personation by using computer resource

IT Act Section 66E – This section addresses violations of privacy and the capturing, publishing, or transmitting of images of a private area of any person without their consent. If SMS spoofing is used to invade someone's privacy in this manner, this section could apply.

SMS are Spoofed by Cyber Crooks!

CALL SPOOFING

Call spoofing happens through apps that enable a person with criminal intent to change his number and voice to impersonate another to defraud.

IT Sections Applicable

Act of hoax or trick or deceive a communication

IPC Section

IPC Section 465/BNS 336 – Making a false document(FORGERY)

IPC Section 419/BNS 319 – Punishment for cheating by personation

IT Act Section 66C – Identity Theft : This section of the Information Technology Act deals with identity theft, which includes dishonestly or fraudulently making use of the electronic signature, password or any other unique identification feature of any other person. Call spoofing can fall under the ambit of this section if it involves stealing someone's unique identification feature for wrongful gain.

Additionally, IT Act Section 66D – Cheating by Personation using Computer Resource can also be applied. This section addresses cheating by personation through the use of a computer resource. If call spoofing is done with the intention to cheat or deceive someone, it could potentially fall under this section.

Call Spoofing is always with criminal intent!

RANSOMWARE

Ransomware is a form of malware that encrypts a victim's files. The attacker then demands a ransom from the victim to restore access to the data. Users are shown instructions as to how to pay a fee to get the decryption key. The costs can range from a few hundred rupees to thousands, payable to cyber criminals in bitcoin.

IT Sections Applicable

Unauthorised access, Denial, Encryption :

IT Act Section 43 – This section deals with unauthorized access, damage to computer systems, and data breaches.

IT Act Section 66 – Computer related offences

Section 66C – This section deals with identity theft.

Section 66D – This section deals with cheating by impersonation using a computer resource.

Demand without payment :

IPC Section 384/BNS 308 – Extortion

IT Act Section 386/BNS 308 – This section deals with extortion by a putting person in fear of death or grievous hurt.

IPC Section 511/BNS 62 – Punishment for attempting to commit offence punishable with imprisonment for life or other imprisonment

Demand & payment :

IPC Section 384/BNS 308 – Extortion

Sensitize your Hardware and Software to avoid Ransomware!

CYBER STALKING

Cyber stalking is the use of the Internet or other electronic means to stalk or harass another by misusing information uploaded on social networking sites.

IT Sections Applicable

Section 66A – This section previously dealt with the offense of sending offensive messages through communication services. However, it was struck down by the Supreme Court of India in 2015 on grounds of being vague and overbroad, and violating the right to free speech.

Offline:

IPC Section 354 D/BNS 78 – Stalking

Online :

IPC Section 354 D/BNS 78 – This section was introduced through the Information Technology (Amendment) Act, 2013, and specifically deals with the offense of cyber stalking. It states that any person who monitors these by a woman of the internet, email, or any other form of electronic communication, commits the offense of cyber stalking. It also criminalizes actions that cause the woman to fear for her safety or the safety of her relatives. Conviction under this section can result in imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years and a fine.

**Cyber stalking means
someone is keeping an eye on you remotely!**

PICTURE MORPHING

Morphing the face of a person to the body of another and publishing it to blackmail or otherwise intimidate the person is one of the ways by which people who upload photos on social networking sites can be exploited.

IT Sections Applicable

IPC Sections

IPC Section 292/BNS 294 – Sale etc of Obscene books etc
(if in hardcopy)

IPC Section 465/BNS 336 – Morphing photographs and creating a false electronic record

IPC Section 469/BNS 336 – Making false electronic document for causing defamation

IPC Section 507/BNS 351 – Criminal Intimidation by an Anonymous communication

IPC Section 509/BNS 79 – Word, gesture or act intended to insult modesty of a woman

IT Act

Section 66C – Punishment for Identity Theft (dishonestly or fraudulently using a unique identification feature)

Section 66E – Punishment for Violation of Privacy

Section 67 – Punishment for publishing or transmitting obscene material in electronic form

Section 67A – Punishment for publishing or transmitting of material containing sexually explicit act etc., in electronic form

Section 67B – Punishment for publishing or transmitting of material depicting children in sexually explicit act etc., in electronic form & sections of POCSO

Section 72 – Penalty for Breach of Confidentiality and Privacy

For publishing photos containing indecent representation of women:
Section 4 R/W Section 6 of Indecent Representation of Women's Act, 1986

Morphing is used for Defaming!

PROFILE HACKING

Profile Hacking happens when your email or social networking profile is accessed by a probable stalker who then compromises it.

IT Sections Applicable

IT Act

- Section. 43** – Unauthorized access to computer systems, networks, data.
- Section 66** – Computer related offences
- Section 66C** – Punishment for Identity Theft (dishonestly or fraudulently using password)
- Section. 66D** – Impersonation cheating through computer resources.

IPC Section. 379/BNS 303 & 380/BNS 305 :

Theft of data or credentials.

IPC Section. 463/BNS 336, 464/BNS 335, 468/BNS 336 :

Forgery of electronic records for fraud.

IPC Section. 507/BNS 351 :

Criminal intimidation through hacking.

Profile Hacking means Security is Lacking!

ONLINE GAMES

Girls who are vulnerable to loneliness, low self-esteem and clinical depression can fall prey to dangerous online games that may become addictive and further harm them. Some dangerous online games like the blue whale challenge even end in the victim ending her life. This is a personal as well as social challenge for the others around.

IT Sections Applicable

Information Technology Act, 2000:

Section 43 – This section deals with unauthorized access to computer systems, computer networks, or data. It covers actions such as hacking, introducing viruses, and damaging computer systems.

Section 66 – This section deals with computer-related offenses, including hacking, identity theft, and other forms of cyber crime

Section 67A – This section deals with the punishment for publishing or transmitting sexually explicit content in electronic form.

Section 67B – This section deals with the punishment for publishing or transmitting material depicting children in sexually explicit acts.

Section 79 – This section provides safe harbor to intermediaries, including online platforms and game hosting services, from liability for third-party content. However, they are required to adhere to certain conditions, including taking down illegal content upon receiving notice.

IPC Sections

IPC Section 299/BNS 100 – Culpable homicide

IPC Section 305/BNS 107 – Abetment of suicide of Child or Insane Person

IPC Section 306/BNS 108 – Abetment of suicide

IPC Section 321/BNS 115 – Voluntarily causing hurt

IPC Section 335/BNS 122 – Voluntarily causing grievous hurt on provocation

IPC Section 336/BNS 125 – Act endangering life or personal safety of others

Before it becomes a game changer of your child's Future, keep track what they do on their personal Computers (laptops, iPads, mobile phones, tabs, desktop etc).