

Welcome to the Right to Read newsletter of the Centre for Internet and Society (CIS). We thank you for endorsing the Right to Read (R2R) campaign for persons with disabilities in India and would like to give you periodic updates on our progress on realizing this right for the 70 million people suffering from various forms of disabilities throughout India.

National Campaigns

1. *National Right to Read Events*
Until now four Right to Read events: [Chennai](#), [Kolkata](#), [Delhi](#) and [Mumbai](#) have been held in India.
2. *Legal Paper on the Right to Read Submitted to the Government*
CIS along with Alternative Law Forum and Inclusive Planet submitted a [paper](#) on the Indian Copyright Act, 1957 to the HRD Ministry.
3. The Ministry of HRD has presented [the Bill](#) to the Parliament which has been referred to the Standing Committee.
4. The Bill has attracted newspaper publicity: <http://bit.ly/d2S5mc>, <http://bit.ly/bYkctq>, <http://bit.ly/buqbLs>, <http://bit.ly/cHp1bg>, <http://bit.ly/9LF1Ep>, <http://bit.ly/cwO4Yv>, <http://bit.ly/aj7D9p>, <http://bit.ly/aWv7G9> and <http://bit.ly/aFyKrC>.
5. An updated list of signatories is available [here](#).

International Development

6. A debate on EU supporting a binding treaty for enabling access to published works was held in the European Parliament. Details are available at: (<http://bit.ly/94cqVc>, <http://bit.ly/aVWkyC>, <http://bit.ly/cDVysw>).

We thank you for taking interest in our campaign and look forward to your continued support to make this campaign a success.

With best compliments,
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