SECURING e-GOVERNANCE

‘Ensuring Data Protection and Privacy’

Ahmedabad Management Association

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9:30 am - 5:00 pm

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WHO WE ARE

Privacy India was set up in collaboration with The Centre for Internet and Society (CIS), Bangalore and Society in Action Group (SAG), under the auspices of the international organization, “Privacy International.”

Privacy International is a non-profit group that provides assistance to civil society groups, governments, international and regional bodies, the media and the public in a number of countries (see www.privacyinternational.org). Its Advisory Board is made up of distinguished intellectuals, academicians, thinkers and activists such as Noam Chomsky, the late Harold Pinter, and others, and it has collaborated with organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).

The Centre For Internet And Society was registered as a society in August 2008, and brings together a team of practitioners, theoreticians, researchers and artists to work on the emerging field of Internet and Society to critically engage with concerns of digital pluralism, public accountability and pedagogic practices, with particular emphasis on South-South dialogues and exchange.
Since June 2010, Privacy India has been engaging in discussions with policy makers, the public and sectoral experts about privacy in India. The discussions have ranged from topics of identity and privacy, to minority rights and privacy, and consumer privacy.

The findings of our research show that privacy was a neglected area of study in India during the past, however, this is changing. Advancements in technology, the introduction of e-governance initiatives like the National Fibre Optic Network, introduction of new legislations, and debates surrounding national security, have brought privacy debates to the forefront in India. Although currently sectoral legislation deals with privacy issues, e.g., the Telegraph Act or RBI guidelines for banking, India has just begun to consider a horizontal legislation that deals comprehensively with privacy across all contexts. This conference is an opportunity to look forward to what could be the future scope of privacy in India.
AGENDA

9:00 - 9:30  Registration

9:30 - 10:00  Welcome
Prashant Iyengar is a practicing lawyer and lead researcher for Privacy India. He will present who Privacy India is, and the objectives of Privacy India’s research. His presentation will focus on discussing privacy in India.

10:00 - 10:15  Tea Break

10:15 - 10:45  Session I
People as the Most Vulnerable Link in e-Governance
Dr. Nityesh Bhatt, Sr. Associate Professor and Chairperson in the Information Management Area at Institute of Management, Nirma University, Ahmedabad

10:45 - 11:15  Ongoing e-Governance projects: Issues with security and privacy
Professor Subhash Bhatnagar, Advisor- Center for Electronic Governance, Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad

11:15 - 11:25  Discussion

11:25 - 11:55  E-governance: What is it?
Mr. Gopalkrishnan Devanathan (Kris Dev), Co-Founder of the International Transparency and Accountability Network.

11:55 - 12:25  Security and privacy in e-governance with reference to the Gujarat Government
Dr. Neeta Shah, Director (eGovernance), Gujarat Informatics Ltd.

12:25 - 12:35  Discussion

12:35 - 1:20  Lunch Break
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Dr Nityesh Bhatt

Nityesh Bhatt is working as Sr. Associate Professor and Chairperson in the Information Management Area at Institute of Management, Nirma University, Ahmedabad–India. He has more than 13 years of experience in academia, research and corporate training. He has conducted almost 200 MDPs for more than 30 leading public sector and private sector organisations. He holds MBA and Ph.D (e-Governance) degrees. He has also completed four months Faculty Development Programme (FDP) of IIM-Ahmedabad in year 2006. He is credited with more than 28 research papers, Management Cases and six co-edited books, including three in the area of e-Governance. Dr. Bhatt is also a research consultant with ISRO, Ahmedabad in ICT area. He was awarded as ‘Best Teacher of Information Technology” in 17th Devang Mehta Awards for year 2009. Since year 2007, he is a member of the National Executive Committee of SIGeGov set up by Computer Society of India. He is also the Co-Convener for the prestigious CSI-Nihilent eGovernance Awards for the year 2010-11 and 2011-12. He was the Program Chair of 8th International Conference on e-Governance (ICEG), jointly organised by Department of Science and Technology – Govt. of Gujarat, Computer Society of India and Nirma University on 17-18 October 2011. Two of his students have already been awarded Ph.D while two students are currently pursuing their Ph.D under his guidance.
Utkarsh Jani

He is a practicing attorney and a qualified Solicitor, England and Wales (nonpracticing) and has a diverse national practice focused on Corporate and Business Laws, including IP law practice, Real Estate Laws, Banking Laws, Employment Law, Cross-border Commercial Transactions and Contract Law Matters. Mr. Jani has litigated complex matters pertaining to Banking and Insolvency matters among other matters before the High Court of Gujarat. He has represented various banks including the Industrial Development Bank of India, IFCI, Dena Bank before the forums like the High Court as well as the Debts Recovery Tribunal, and it's Appellate Authority. He has accompanied his clients to various countries including Germany, Korea, Hong Kong, Kenya, and Thailand for negotiating contracts as also providing support for appointment of the local lawyers. He has negotiated contracts with some of Automobile giants in Europe on behalf of a Gujarat based supplier company. He also visited Kenya as a part of the FICCI delegation for trade and business. He recently concluded successful negotiation on one of the largest Joint Ventures in the country in the Insurance business in Hong Kong.
Mr. Gopalkrishnan Devanathan (Kris Dev)

Kris Dev is the Director, Life Line to Business (LL2B), Chennai. He’s a social activist, ICT and e-Governance Consultant with 30 years global experience in Asia and Americas. Life-Line to Citizen (LL2C) is an initiative to integrate the citizens and the entire vertical and horizontal hierarchy of Governance from the village level to the national level on a single web based e-Platform for citizen empowerment, productivity improvement, transparency and accountability. He is the recipient of Manthan Award, Innovators Award, World Bank Innovation Certificate.

Prof. Subhash Bhatnagar

He served as a consultant advisor to the World Bank in Washington DC for six years to mainstream e-Government in the operations of the Bank. He is on the editorial boards of seven international journals. His academic work has covered E-Governance, ICT for development, and National IT Policy. He has hundred research papers and seven books to his credit. He has scripted and directed ten video films on ICTs. He founded the IFIP Working Group on IT for Developing Countries and is the editor of their newsletter. He serves on a number of Government committees including the steering committee for ICT sector for formulating India’s 12th Five Year Plan. He is a Fellow of the Computer Society of India. He has travelled widely and is an active blogger.
Mr. Anindya Kumar Banerjee

Anindya Kumar Banerjee, popularly known in the industry as AKB spent most of his professional time almost 36 years in the twin states of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh his name is synonymous with training & education industry for almost 2 decades beginning in early 1990’s. Always the lead trainer in the states of MP and CG as far as the training of Polytechnic or engineering students is concerned. AKB has been teaching CAD to engineering professionals since 1993. He has traveled to a variety of locations in the country and abroad for imparting trainings on designing, networking, security and IT Infrastructure. He also has worked as e-governance consultant to the following state governments of West Bengal, Chhattisgarh and Bihar in specific departments.

Nisha Thompson

Nisha Thompson has a background in online community organizing. She has worked for the Sunlight Foundation Nisha in Washington DC, with online communities to use US government data to hold elected officials accountable. She moved to Bangalore in October 2010 and is currently working on an Open Government Data report for the Centre for Internet and Society and on the Data Project with the India Water Portal as a consultant. The Data Project aims to collect and open up water and related data, so that citizens and practitioners can use it to improve and keep track of projects and progress in the water sector.
Dr. Mrinalini Shah

Dr. Mrinalini Shah is a professor at Institute of Management Technology Ghaziabad. She has total 16 years of teaching experience including NMIMS University Mumbai, Kumaon University Campus Almora. Dr. Shah has earned European commission’s postdoctoral fellowships in 2010-11 and completed her research from School of Management, University of Warsaw, Poland. She has earned her Ph D in computer Science and post graduate degree in Mathematics. Dr Shah is Stanford University and NEN certified entrepreneurship Educator. Dr shah was awarded AIMS-International Second Women outstanding Management Researcher award in 2009. She has received the Best Research paper award twice in National Seminar held at AIMCA Haldwani, for the year 2005 and at MMIM, Mullana Ambala, in the year 2004. She has conducted more than a dozen Management development programs and executive trainings including Forest Research & Training center, Royal bank of Scotland, NHPC, ONGC, Indian postal offices provisional, GMPE with NIIT Imperia, SRMS college Bareilly.

She was Member of the expert committee for Uttarakhand Open University, Management programs, Board of studies NMIMS university, Mumbai. Editorial board member of 4 national journals and reviewers of many International journals including Elsevier publication and Springer. Dr Shah has held many administrative positions too. She has also started entrepreneurship cell at IMT Ghaziabad 3 years back which was declared a mature e cell within one year of its inception by National Entrepreneurship network (NEN). She is chairperson of E cell since then. She is also Chairperson IT Infrastructure at IMT. Dr Shah has 7 international Publication, 20 publications in national journals/book chapters and 2 case studies to her credit. She is co-editor of a book on professional education published in 2005. She has presented more than 3 dozen papers in National and international conferences and seminar. Dr Shah has organized two national seminars. She has chaired a number of sessions at national and international conferences including ICQM at Los Angeles, USA and World congress of Fuzzy at Indonesia, University of Warsaw, Poland. Her research interest are: Intelligent (fuzzy logic based) supply chain, Intelligent customer relationship management, Fuzzy logic based management and e-governance.
Mr. Sunny Vaghela

Sunny Vaghela is a passionate ethical hacker while at work. His passion is the strongest driving force behind all his endeavors for success. The ever enthusiastic nature of the Director at work is also an inspiration for his team, who share the same vision as his. The vision of a secure Indian cyber space is being envisioned by this youthful group of individuals, to whom Sunny has provided the identity under the name of TechDefence Consulting Pvt. Ltd. The largest growing company for security solutions in India, it also has provided its excellent support to numerous cyber-crime cells of the state. The support and guidance of Sunny has seen many projects come under his company and given the team memorable experiences as well as helped them perceive a passionate career in ethical hacking. Sunny has moved along with him a flurry of students and admirers to be the fore bringers of awareness about cyber-crime in the country.

Sunny’s exploits in his late teens and support towards the Indian Government and the ATS during the 26/11 Mumbai attacks and Ahmedabad Bomb blasts, has made him a true citizen dedicated towards the welfare of the society and has set an example for various youths to follow.

A legion of awards already at his name and the CTO of TechDefence, still maintains his calm composure and down to earth attitude. The true traits of a leader who has envisioned massively for the betterment of society and cyber security in India and has taken an oath to bring this change in India, is truly the rising inspiration for the generation next.
Prashant Iyengar

Prashant Iyengar is Assistant Professor, Jindal Global Law School & Assistant Director, Centre for Intellectual Property Rights Studies. Mr. Iyengar has an (LL.M.) with honors from Columbia Law School and a B.A.B.L. (Hons.) from NALSAR, University of Law, Hyderabad. He was Lead Researcher with Privacy India, Bangalore; Legal Aid Manager with Rural Development Institute, Hyderabad; Researcher & Lawyer with Alternative Law Forum, Bangalore and was Guest faculty with Christ Law College, Bangalore. He has also been a past recipient of the prestigious Information Policy Fellowship from the Open Society Institute. Mr. Iyengar is enrolled as an advocate with the Karnataka State Bar Council. He is the author of a number of publications in his specialized fields (Intellectual Property, Information Technology) and is frequently invited for presentations at conferences and consultations both in India and around the world.