



Gandhinagar Institute of Technology

Cyber Security & Cyber Crime Awareness Seminar

13th April, 2016



Gandhinagar Institute of Technology (GIT) organized “Cyber Security & Cyber Crime Awareness Seminar” under the aegis of Post Graduate Research Center for Cyber Security, Gujarat Technological University on 13th April, 2016 to create consciousness about cyber security and cyber crime among students and faculty members. There were 178 student participants and 18 faculty participants who attended the seminar.

The program was started with the prayer to the almighty. It was followed by the welcome speech introducing perspicacious thoughts by Dr N M Bhatt, Director. He introduced GIT and all the curricular & co-curricular activities carried out in the institute throughout the year for providing an extra edge to the caliber of the students. By enhancing their capabilities, building up their esteem and developing their skills, he mentioned how the younger students, involved with the social media that has become a trend of today’s world relying on technology. In the effort to remain advanced in technology and connected can make them victims of cybercrime. He told that the seminar on cybercrime awareness was a mere small step to bring vigilance among students to remain safe and secure in the virtual world. On behalf of GTU, Dr N M Bhatt, Director presented the memento to Mr. Varun Kapoor and Prof. Darshan Patel, Asst. Prof., GTU presented memento to Dr N M Bhatt, Director for his valuable support in organizing the seminar.

Mr. Varun Kapoor, IPS, Additional Director General of Police, Narcotics, was invited speaker for the Seminar. He is an engineer, former CSP and Additional SP of Indore, former IGP of the Police Radio Training School and a professional speaker on Cyber Crime Awareness. Mr. Varun Kapoor has started various mission to target various people of different age group and “Sankalp” is initiative for college students to make them aware about the same. Under the “Sankalp”, this is the 147th workshop on Cyber Security & Cyber Crime Awareness. The speaker has started his talk by raising the three questions:

1. Why should we aware of the cybercrimes?
2. What should we learn?
3. Who is the person addressing the issue?

Mr. Varun Kapoor has explained that every citizen is living in two worlds simultaneously. One is the “REAL” world and the other is the “VIRTUAL” world. While existing in the real world we take all security precautions possible to remain safe and secure. In addition we know all the rules, regulations and laws in existence in the field in which we operate. Despite all these actions and precautions taken by the citizens, mistakes occur and as a result incidents of crime (intentional or unintentional) take place.

On the contrary while existing or operating in the virtual world the average citizens (which is almost all) has a feeling that this is an “imaginary” world and their behavior is thus modulated. They feel as this world can’t be seen, touched, felt, understood and perceived, so it does not exist in reality. As a result they take no self-security precautions while operating in this world and they even do not know the legal provisions (IT ACT) that govern the legitimate use of the cyber space and virtual world. This is

extremely risky behavior. The citizens of all types in this country need to be sensitized about the dangers involved in unregulated and insecure use of the cyber space and also need to be made aware regarding the safe and secure ways of using technology, gadgets and internet. This will ensure that the use of cyber space and the virtual world is for the benefit of all and not in a manner which harms self and others.

Shri Varun Kapoor who is an Additional Director General of Police of Madhya Pradesh Cadre and is of the 1991 batch. He has been SP in three Districts and Range DIG in three Ranges in Madhya Pradesh. He has represented the country in three International missions. He has served as Police Advisor in the United Nations Missions in Bosnia (1996-97) and UN Mission in Georgia (2005-06). He was also on a Scoping Mission sent by the Government of India to South Africa, Lesotho & Mozambique in the year 2010. He is presently posted as Additional Director General of Police - Narcotics at Indore.

Shri Kapoor has also designed, developed and executed two of his most successful initiative “The Blue Palm Initiative” & “Black Ribbon Initiative”. He has been travelling across India to spread awareness among the youth of today regarding cyber world and its dangers.

Two of his initiative are briefly introduced below:-

The Blue Palm Initiative:

He trained officers from 22 different police forces of the country, officers of Central Para Military Forces like the CRPF, BSF, ITBP, SSB, RPF, CISF etc. and officers of the Indian Army too. In recognition of his work in this field, Shri Kapoor has been awarded by the Data Security Council of India for “Best Capacity Building Work” for the year 2014 at Mumbai.

The Black Ribbon Initiative:

This is a cyber security awareness outreach program. Under this, he has organized 147 workshops across the country and made over 30,000 school students, college youths, general citizens, government employees, organizational members and institutional executives aware regarding the dangers of unsafe cyber use. Also the methods and methodology for safe and secure cyber use are taught. These include the “Cyber Security Ambassador” Award given by the CMAI & AICTE at Kolkata; “Cyber Security Innovator” Award given by the TEMA & GTU at Ahmadabad.

The seminar on Cyber Security conducted at GIT included an Overview of Cybercrimes such as Electronic Commerce Crime, Economic Espionage, Infrastructure attacks, Defamation, Obscenity, Content Accountability, Copyright Violations, Trademark Violations, E commerce, Taxation, Provisions in the legal framework to combat Cybercrimes and finally discussed about Indian Cyber Law and provision of court proceeding for Cybercrimes and Cyber Law from India and International perspective. He has also shared interesting details of few registered cases of cybercrime happened and their investigation process of solving the same.

The seminar was ended with full of Information and vision of being safe and secure in the virtual world. As a token of appreciation, GIT awarded Mr. Varun Kapoor with a souvenir for putting his effort taken in the direction of stopping the cyber crimes. The seminar ended with vote of thanks by Prof. Kinjal Adhvaryu, Head of the Computer Engineering Department.

Glimpses of the Cyber Security & Cyber Crime Awareness Seminar



An Inauguration



During Prayer



Lighting of Lamp



Welcome Speech by Dr N M Bhatt, Director



**Mr. Varun Kapoor presented with a memento by
Dr N M Bhatt**



**Dr N M Bhatt felicitated with memento by Prof.
Darshan Patel, Asst. Prof. GTU**



Mr. Varun Kapoor during Seminar



Faculty & Student Participants in Seminar

Feedback of Students & Faculty Member :-

As both an anchor and attendee to the seminar held by Mr. Varun Kapoor on the topic 'Cyber Security and Cyber Crime Awareness', I must say it was a worthwhile experience. I learnt quite a lot, especially on the different laws that citizens can be persecuted by under the IT act and most importantly about the difference between computers and electronic devices which is something that will be useful to me in the future. I truly appreciate the time and pains that Mr. Varun Kapoor took to attend the seminar from Madhya Pradesh and applaud his speech.



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By the means of this seminar, I learned about the crimes that we commit unknowingly, and the mistakes that we do in the virtual world.

Simran Gurwani, 4-CE-A
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Through this seminar, we gained knowledge about the IT ACT(2005), and the dangers of the virtual world.



Mehul Sancheti, 4-IT-A,
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I would like to congratulate to an organizing committee of cyber Security seminar. It was really an informative for us related to the how to protect our personal information over internet. I am really interested to participate such kind of events in future.

Prof Svapnil Vakhariya,
Asst. Prof., IT Department

The seminar was really very much helpful to understand the current picture of the cyber world and the issues related the crimes. The measurements explained by Mr. Kapoor to avoid such crimes were really awakening.

Prof Kalpana Mudaliar
Asst. Prof., CE Department



The seminar was very much enlightening for the students that provided with some of the very important steps one should take to stay away from such cyber crimes.

Prof Sejal Bhavsar
Asst. Prof., CE Department

The seminar was very much informative and interesting, and we really enjoyed it.

Prof. Nisha Patel
Asst. Prof., IT Department



The seminar was an intellectual treat that was inclusive of different colours and flavours in forms of ideas and information to stop the emerging issue of cyber crime.

Prof Margil Shah
Asst. Prof., CE Department

The seminar was a treasure of thoughts inspiring one to stay far from virtual crimes.

Prof Raxit Jani
Asst. Prof., CE Department

