



Privacy Matters

Analyzing the "Right to Privacy Bill" Indian Institute of Technology Bombay

79, 2nd Main Road, Gandhinagar Powai, Mumbai 400076

January 21, 2012 10:30 am - 5:00pm

On behalf of Privacy India, and in partnership with the Centre for Internet & Society, IDRC, Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, the Godrej Culture Lab and Tata Institute of Social Sciences, I would like to invite you to "Privacy Matters" a public conference focused on discussing the challenges and concerns to privacy in India. The event will be held on January 21st, 2012, from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai. We would be honored if you would attend the meeting and contribute your views.

The conference will focus on the questions and dilemmas posed by privacy in India today, with a concentration on the "*Right to Privacy Bill*". The right to privacy in India has been a neglected area of study and engagement. Although sectoral legislation deals with privacy issues, India does not as yet have a horizontal legislation that deals comprehensively with privacy across all contexts. The absence of a minimum guarantee of privacy is felt most heavily by marginalized communities, including HIV patients, children, women, sexuality minorities, prisoners, etc. — people who most need to know that sensitive information is protected.

Privacy India (www.privacyindia.org) was established in 2010 with the objective of raising awareness, sparking civil action and promoting democratic dialogue around privacy challenges and violations in India. One of our goals is to build consensus towards the promulgation of comprehensive privacy legislation in India through consultations with the public, legislators and the legal and academic community. Please confirm your participation with me at natasha@cis-india.org. We sincerely hope you will be able to attend and look forward to your participation.

Yours Truly,

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