
**Subject : Cyber Jaagrookta (Awareness) Diwas**

Respect Madam/Sir,

The Ministry of Home Affairs is implementing a scheme called the ‘Indian Cyber Crime Co-ordination Centre (14C)’ to deal with cyber crimes in a coordinated and comprehensive manner. The Ministry has developed a ‘National Cybercrime Reporting Portal’ for ease of filing of complaints relating to cyber crimes by citizens on ‘anywhere, anytime’ basis. Due to increase in the number of internet users on social media platforms in India, and the rapidly evolving technologies have also brought in unique challenges, besides aggravating the existing problems of cyber crimes, which is one of the fastest growing forms of transnational and insidious crimes. There is a pressing need to increase ‘cyber hygiene’ for prevention of cybercrimes by inculcating habits of taking basic care of ICT devices at regular intervals.

In this regard Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) are requested to observe ‘Cyber Jaagrookta (Awareness) Diwas’ every month in HEIs. The HEIs are further requested to organize workshops, seminars, interactive sessions, creative sessions like poster making/slogan writing/short stories etc. to be part of the initiative for mass awareness of students in prevention of cyber crime. The list of suggestive topics along with the Write Up on ‘Cyber Jaagrookta Diwas’ has been attached as **Annexure-I**. The budgetary provisions will be made by the State Governments / UT concerned from their budgets. An Annual Action Plan may be prepared for undertaking the activities in ‘Cyber Jaagrookta Diwas’ on first Wednesday of every month online initially in view of COVID precautions for one hour from 11.00 a.m. onwards.

This initiative may also be brought under notice of the affiliated colleges / institutions of the universities.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

Encl : As above

The Vice-Chancellors of All Universities
The Principals of all Colleges/ Institutes