LL.M. IV SEMESTER SUBJECT: SPECIFIC TORT

CODE: L-4006

Topic: Cyber Tort

Cyber Tort can simply be described as tort or violation of a right done over Cyber Space.

Example of Cyber torts:-

- Email & Text harassment
- Cyber Stalking
- Dissemination through the internet of obscene, offensive or prohibited material inclusive of indecent exposure & pornography.
- Defamation
- Online Impersonation
- Taking unauthorized control or having unauthorized access over computer System (Hacking)
- Distribution and dissemination of pirated software.

Birth of Cyber tort: - First case was United States vs. Morris

Reason for Occurrence of Cyber tort: - Cyber Space is vulnerable **because**

- Capacity to store data is too small
- Easy to access
- Complexity of systems
- Negligence
- Loss of evidence

Modes & Manner of Committing Cyber tort:-

- Hacking
- Theft of information
- Email Bombing
- Data Diddting
- Salami Attacks
- Denial of Service Attack
- Virus
- Logic Bombs
- Trojan Attack
- Internet time theft
- Web Jacking

Distinction between Cyber Crime and Cyber tort:-

Cyber Crime: - Include, Hacking, cyber terrorism, distribution of pirated software, harassment through email, dissemination of obscene material, defamation etc.

Cyber tort includes Cyber stalking, breach of privacy, cyber obscenity, & cyber defamation.

In the recent cases including Cyber harassment, Cyber nuisance & Cyber defamation, I.T. Act 2000 doesn't deal with these acts. Further new act of Cyber Crime that will develop can be answered by Cyber tort.