Offences and Relevant Penal Sections in Cyber Crime

S.No.	Nature of Complaint	Applicable section (s) and punishments under IT Act 2000	Applicable section(s) under other Laws and punishment
1.	Mobile phone lost/stolen		Section 379 IPC up to 3 years imprisonment or fine or both
2.	Receiving stolen computer/mobile phone /data (data or computer or mobile phone owned by you is found in the hands of someone else	Section 66 B of IT Act 2000 – Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees one lakh fine or both	Section 411 IPC – up to 3 years imprisonment or fine or both
3.	Data owned by you or your company in any form is stolen	Section 66 of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3 years imprisonment or fine up to Rupees five lakh or both	Section 379 IPC up to 3 years imprisonment or fine or both
4.	A password is stolen and used by someone else for fraudulent purpose	Section 66C of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees one lakh fine Section 66 D of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees	Section 419 IPC – upto 3 years imprisonment or fine Section 420 IPC - upto 7 years imprisonment or fine

		one lakh fine	
5.	An e-mail is read by	Section 66 of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3	
	someone else by	years imprisonment or fine up to	
	fraudulently making use of	Rupees five lakh or both	
	password	Section 66C of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3	
		years imprisonment or Rupees one	
		lakh fine	
6.	A bio metric thumb	Section 66C of IT Act 2000 -	
	impression is misused	Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees	
		one lakh fine	
7.	An electronic signature of	Section 66C of IT Act 2000 -	
	digital signature is misused	Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees	
		one lakh fine	
8.	A Phishing e-mail is sent	Section 66 D of IT Act 2000 -	Section 419 IPC – upto 3
	out in your name, asking	Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees	years imprisonment or fine
	for login credentials	one lakh fine	
9.	Capturing, publishing or	Section 66 E of IT Act 2000 -	Section 292 IPC- upto 2
	transmitting the image of a	Up to 3 years imprisonment or fine not	years imprisonment and
	private area without any	exceeding Rupees two lakh or both	fine Rupees 2000 and upto
	person's consent or		5 years and rupees 5000
	knowledge		for second and subsequent
			conviction

10.	Tempering with computer source document	Section 65 of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3 years imprisonment or fine upto rupees two lakh or both Section 66 of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3 years imprisonment or fine up to Rupees five lakh or both	
11.	Data Modification	Section 66 of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3 years imprisonment or fine up to Rupees five lakh or both	
12.	Sending offensive messages through communication service, etc.		Section 500 IPC – upto 2 years or fine or both Section 504 IPC - upto 2 years or fine or both Section 506 IPC - upto 2 years or fine or both – if threat be to cause death or grievous hurt, etc. – up to 7 years or fine or both Section 507 IPC - upto 2 years along with punishment u/s 506 IPC Section 508 IPC - upto 1

13.	Publishing or transmitting obscene material in electronic form	Section 67 of IT Act 2000 – first conviction up to 3 years and 5 lakhs Second and subsequent conviction – upto 5 years and upto 10 lakhs	years or fine or both Section 509 IPC - upto 1 years or fine or both Section 292 IPC- upto 2 years imprisonment and fine Rupees 2000 and upto 5 years and rupees 5000 for second and subsequent conviction
14.	Publishing or transmitting of material containing sexually explicit act, etc. in electronic form	Section 67 of IT Act 2000 – first conviction up to 3 years and 5 lakhs Second and subsequent conviction – upto 5 years and upto 10 lakhs	Section 292 IPC- upto 2 years imprisonment and fine Rupees 2000 and upto 5 years and rupees 5000 for second and subsequent conviction
15.	Publishing or transmitting of material depicting children in sexually explicit act, etc. in electronic form	Section 67 B of IT Act 2000 – first conviction upto 5 years and upto 10 lakhs Second and subsequent conviction – upto 7years and upto 10 lakhs	Section 292 IPC- upto 2 years imprisonment and fine Rupees 2000 and upto 5 years and rupees 5000 for second and subsequent conviction
16.	Misusing a Wi-fi	Section 66 of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3	

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	connection - if done	years imprisonment or fine up to	
	against State	Rupees five lakh or both	
		Section 66F of IT ACT 2000 – life	
		imprisonment	
17.	Planting a computer virus-	Section 66 of IT Act 2000 - Up to 3	
	if done against the State	years imprisonment or fine up to	
		Rupees five lakh or both	
		Section 66F of IT ACT 2000 – life	
		imprisonment	
18.	Conducting a denial of	Section 66 of IT ACT 2000 - Up to 3	
	service attack against a	years imprisonment or fine up to	
	government computer	Rupees five lakh or both	
		Section 66F of IT ACT 2000 – life	
		imprisonment	
19.	Stealing data from a	Section 66 of IT ACT 2000 - Up to 3	
	government computer	years imprisonment or fine up to	
	that has significance from	Rupees five lakh or both	
	national security	Section 66F of IT ACT 2000 – life	
	perspective	imprisonment	
20.	Not allowing the	Section 69 of IT ACT 2000 –	

	authorities to decrypt all communication that passes through computer or network	Imprisonment upto 7 years and fine	
21.	Intermediaries not providing access to information stored on their computer to the relevant authorities	Section 69 of IT ACT 2000 – Imprisonment upto 7 years and fine	
22.	Failure to block web sites when ordered	Section 69 A of IT ACT 2000 – Imprisonment upto 7 years and fine	
23.	Sending threatening messages by e-mail		Section 504 IPC - upto 2 years or fine or both
24.	Word, gesture or act intended to insult the modesty of a woman		Section 509 IPC - upto 1 years or fine or both – IPC as applicable
25.	Sending defamatory messages by e-mail		Section 500 IPC – upto 2 years or fine or both
26.	Bogus websites, cyber frauds	Section 66 D of IT ACT 2000 - Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees one lakh fine	Section 419 IPC – upto 3 years imprisonment or fine Section 420 IPC - upto 7

			years imprisonment or fine
27.	E-mail spoofing	Section 66C of IT ACT 2000 -	Section 465 IPC – upto 2
		Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees	years or fine or both
		one lakh fine	Section 468 IPC – upto 7
			years imprisonment and
			fine
28.	Making a false document	Section 66 D of IT ACT 2000 -	Section 465 IPC – upto 2
		Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees	years or fine or both
		one lakh fine	
29.	Forgery for purpose of	Section 66 D of IT ACT 2000 -	Section 468 IPC – upto 7
	cheating	Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees	years imprisonment and
		one lakh fine	fine
30.	Forgery for purpose of	Section 66 D of IT ACT 2000 -	Section 469 – upto 3 years
	harming reputation	Up to 3 years imprisonment or Rupees	and fine
		one lakh fine	
31.	E-mail abuse		Section 500 IPC – upto 2
			years or fine or both
32.	Punishment for criminal		Section 506 IPC - upto 2
	intimidation		years or fine or both – if
			threat be to cause death or

			grievous hurt, etc – upto 7 years or fine or both
33.	Copyright infringement	Section 66 of IT ACT 2000 - Up to 3	Section 63, 63B Copyright
		years imprisonment or fine up to	Act, 1957
		Rupees five lakh or both	
34.	Theft of computer		Section 379 IPC up to 3
	hardware		years imprisonment or fine
			or both
35.	Online Sale of Drugs		NDPS Act
36.	Online Sale of Arms		Arms Act