

**ODISHA POLICE
CRIME BRANCH
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT
PRESS NOTE**

- 1st Phase of State Level Specialized Training on Cyber Crime & Forensics (with special emphasis on offences against children) is being organized by CID CB, Odisha State in collaboration with UNICEF Odisha at Police Bhawan, Bhubaneswar.
- The Director General of Police Dr. R.P Sharma, IPS inaugurated the training programme as Chief Guest and Dr. Monika Nielsen, Chief UNICEF, Odisha graced the inauguration function as the Guest of Honour. Sh. SK Upadhaya, IPS, ADG, Crime presided over the function.
- During the function DGP Dr. R. P. Sharma, IPS released the Compendium on Cyber Crime Investigation & Forensics and a Digest on Criminal Prosecution prepared by CID, Crime Branch. In his address to the participants he highlighted the initiatives taken by the Odisha Police to combat cyber-crimes in the State. He emphasized on the need of the training programme for inculcation of professional skills amongst the trainee officers. He also highlighted the steps taken by the Govt. of Odisha and Odisha Police for establishment of three Cyber Crime Police Stations at Berhampur, Rourkela & Sambalpur to handle various cybercrime incidents. He also referred to the steps being taken for establishment of three more Cyber Crime Police stations at Bhubaneswar, Koraput & Balasore. He stressed on continuous learning and training to be imparted to officers to investigate the cyber crime cases. In his speech, he also informed about the plan to establish a Cyber Crime Lab-cum-Training Centre at Bhubaneswar. In the centre Officers of Odisha Police & Judicial Officers will be trained about various investigation procedures/cyber forensics and proper prosecution of the case. He instructed the Police Officers to freely register cybercrime cases at the local Police Station level and redress the complaint in a proper manner. He also praised the steps taken by CID Crime Branch in creating cybercrime awareness by distributing booklets.
- UNICEF Chief of Odisha Dr. Monika Nielson mentioned the importance of securing children from online and cyber predators. She mentioned the valued partnership UNICEF is having with the Odisha Police. She hoped that this training will impart necessary skills to field level police officers to deal with the cases of cyber crime particularly against vulnerable children. She stated that children are most vulnerable to online risks and the threat it poses to their safety and well being. She congratulated Odisha Police for making efforts to tackle this problem.
- Earlier in his welcome address, Sri Santosh Kumar Upadhyay IPS, ADG, CID-CB emphasized on the importance of creation of pool of expert investigators comprising of 200 police personnel in first phase to combat challenges in investigation of Cyber Crime cases at the cutting edge level. He also highlighted the plans of CID-CB to enhance the professional skill of Investigating Officers at Police Station level.
- Sri Arun Bothra, IPS, IG of Police, CID-CB delivered the vote of thanks. Sri Sandeep Madkar, IPS, SP CID-CB coordinated the programme.
- More than 130 Police officers/Men from all over the State are participating in the training program. Another batch of 130 Police Officers/Men will be trained from 19th to 20th June 2019. This programme is being organised in collaboration with UNICEF.

