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C1. National Supercomputing Mission set to gather speed

The Indian Express- July 31, 2018

But an official from the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), headquartered in Pune, said the NSM was “on track” and, by November this ...

C2. Now finding lost or stolen mobile phones will become easier

Zee Business- July 30, 2018

The telecom department has assigned the work of creating a central registry of stolen and lost devices to the Centre for Development of Telematics.

CS1. New Crypto-Miner PowerGhost Targeting Corporates in India: Kaspersky Lab

NDTV- July 31, 2018

A new cryptocurrency miner, dubbed PowerGhost, is targeting corporate networks in India and several other regions in the world, according to new research from Russia-based cyber-security company [Kaspersky Lab](#).

CS2. Indian telecom chief challenges hackers, gets hacked immediately

Dhaka Tribune-30-Jul-2018

Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Chairperson Ram Sewak Sharma on ... A French cyber security expert, who uses the moniker Elliot Alderson, wrote on ...

CS3. BT sets up new cyber security operations centre in India

Economic Times. July 31, 2018

British telecommunications major BT has set up a new cyber security operations centre (SOC) in Gurugram, which will have about 100 IT professionals.

CS4. What India can learn from EU's GDPR privacy bill to protect online data

Business Standard-July 31, 2018

A draft of a sweeping data privacy bill has been submitted to India's ... the leak of data on millions of Facebook users and a series of high-profile cyber-attacks.

CS5. Aadhaar dare has hackers in a bind

Economic Times. July 31, 2018

The ethical hacking community says it has been scrupulous in trying to stick to the law and not cause actual harm in monetary or personal terms.

CS6. Beware of free e-gift cards; hackers can sell data you fill in online forms

Hindu BusinessLine. July 30, 2018

Fake websites entice people with lucrative offers asking them to initiate a process to receive the code for free gift card

CS7. Activists assail Data Protection Bill, FSMI: Toothless Bill can't secure user data

Hindu BusinessLine. July 30, 2018

The Free Software Movement of India (FSMI) has flayed the proposed Data Protection Bill, which it feels will completely fail to protect the data of users.

M1. The Draft Data Protection Bill 2018: You do Not Own The Data That You Have Shared

News18. July 27, 2018

The Justice Srikrishna committee has given its recommendations to the government, but doesn't give users the ownership of the data they share. The Justice BN Srikrishna-led committee has submitted its draft bill to the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITY).

M2. A good beginning: on draft data protection bill

The Hindu- July 31, 2018

... B.N. Srikrishna to the Ministry of **Electronics and Information Technology** after year-long public consultations provides a sound foundation on which to speedily ...

M3. e-Aksharayan in 7 Indian languages launched

United News of India-July 30, 2018

... goal is to have real-time translation capability in each of the Indic languages, Ministry of **Electronics and IT** Secretary Ajay Prakash Sawhney here on Monday.

M4. Govt launches free software for editing text on scanned images

Economic Times-July 31, 2018

The IT ministry has launched a desktop software e-Aksharayan to enable editing of text printed on scanned documents and it can be downloaded for free from its website.

M5. Aadhaar challenge: Ministry of Electronics & IT defends TRAI chief

Economic Times-July 31, 2018

Ministry of **Electronics & IT** (MeitY) secretary Ajay Prakash Sawhney Monday defended Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai) chairman RS Sharma, and ...

M6. Govt not amused with RS Sharma's act: Throwing such challenges is unwarranted, say experts, too

Hindu BusinessLine. July 31, 2018

"We don't appreciate this flamboyant act of RS Sharma," said a top official at the **Ministry of Electronics and IT**. Having said so, the official also stated that 'the core of Aadhaar security is the biometrics — the fingerprint and the iris — because they constitute the crux of the digital identity that supplements the physical identity'.

M7. Government may tweak IT rules to tackle new challenges on social media

The Indian Express-July 31, 2018

IT Minister **Ravi Shankar Prasad**, earlier this month, told the Parliament that it was critical for social media service providers to ensure the lawful provision of their ...

M8. Is IT Sector Back On Track?

BW Businessworld-July 30, 2018

*Earlier, this year while addressing an event at the Asia House in London, India's IT and Electronics minister **Ravi Shankar Prasad** shared the growth in revenue ...*

M9. Will CBI's Probe Into Cambridge-Analytica Data Mining Even Work?

The Quint-July 30, 2018

*Law Minister **Ravi Shankar Prasad** said, "It is suspected that CA may have been involved in illegally obtaining data of Indians". The use of the word 'may' by the ...*

M10. Draft privacy law recommends curbs on tracking children, affecting business model of tech companies

BGR India-29-Jul-2018

*Google, [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Snapchat](#) will face a big hit in their business model if Justice Srikrishna Committee's data privacy recommendations are implemented by the government. The draft report submitted to the **IT minister** recommends to curb data tracking and advertising targeted at users under the age of 18. The social media companies operate on the basis of Children's Online Privacy Protection Act in the US, which is applicable for those under the age of 13*

M11. Srikrishna data protection draft bill has serious flaws

Economic Times-July 31, 2018

With Big Data a reality, a major nation-state can't simply look at data as a tradeable commodity when it comes to adopting a legal framework

N1. Third Eye helps improve tax collection under GST

Times of India. July 31, 2018

*Bengaluru: The commercial tax department's new data analytics software, Third Eye, has been effective in tracking down defaulters of the Goods and ... However, he said the new software developed in-house with the help of the **National Informatics Centre** had made their job easy.*

N2. Traffic website to ensure safe ride

The New Indian Express- July 31, 2018

*The portal will be put on a trial run for about a month and subsequently, merged with **National Informatics Centre (NIC)** server. Commissionerate Police has also ...*

N3. Snag in e-auction confuses bidders for vanity numbers

The Tribune-July 31, 2018

*While the **National Informatics Centre (NIC)**, which had conducted the e-auction, had uploaded the updated list of successful bidders two days later,.*

N4. TRAI Chief Continues to Face Fallout Over Aadhaar Tweet Row; His ...

News18- July 31, 2018

*"Sharma's mobile number is available on **National Informatics Centre's (NIC)** website as he was once Secretary IT. His date of birth is available in the Civil List of ...*

O1. New mobile towers atop Govt buildings will boost CG-SKY connectivity

Daily Pioneer- July 31, 2018

*The Chhattisgarh **Electronics and Information Technology** Department will be erecting a series of new mobile towers atop Government buildings across the State ...*

O2. RS Sharma's Aadhaar challenge is a case of 'misplaced enthusiasm'

Firstpost-July 30, 2018

Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Chairman R.S. Sharma's open Aadhaar challenge to critics and hackers is nothing but a case of "misplaced enthusiasm" which dilutes the debate on securing the Aadhaar eco-system, emphasise cyber law experts....tweetstorm — not as a government servant but "as a normal citizen of India" — can set a dangerous precedent for millions of Indians who are still not aware what privacy is all about.

O3. Draft e-commerce policy: Govt to ensure level playing field for domestic players; all you need to know about the blueprint

Firstpost-July 31, 2018

The draft recommendations were prepared by several stakeholders, including by the private sector and government officials from departments such as commerce, industry, IT and electronics. The suggestions were discussed by the think tank headed by commerce minister Suresh Prabhu at a meeting in the national capital.

O4. Rajasthan CM Vasundhara Raje launches several IT firsts at Bikaner DigiFest

YourStory. July 31, 2018

The DigiFest at Bikaner, Rajasthan, saw a slew of new digitally powered initiatives launched at its conclusion. The premise was to actually transform the life of the common man through the use of tech...

O5. [How The States Stack Up On E-Governance Reforms](#)

Swarajya. July 31, 2018

India has been bettering its e-governance capabilities consistently, and now, state governments, universities, service providers, app developers and scientists will have to work towards improving acce...

O6. [Indian govt's warning to WhatsApp reflects its failure to maintain law and order](#)

Economic Times. July 31, 2018

Indian govt's clampdown on WhatsApp as the sole bearer of responsibility and accountability for rumour-fuelled lynchings is, quite literally, shooting the messenger.

O7. [Implementing Srikrishna Panel recommendations will boost Indian IT companies: T V Mohandas Pai](#)

Economic Times. July 31, 2018

For many years, there was concern among Indian IT services compnaies' global clients about giving access to their data as India did not have a data privacy law. With a new law this concern will diminish," he said.

O8. [Data localisation can be done in 6 mths: Paytm](#)

Economic Times. July 31, 2018

The government's move to mandate data localisation for e-commerce companies has already sparked protests, which was countered by Alibaba-backed Paytm as the government began consultations on a Draft National Policy Framework for India's unregulated business segment