ABSTRACT

In recent years, sextortion has become a common and unpleasant cybercrime. To compel people into engaging in sexual actions or paying the offenders money, this phenomenon involves using explicit or compromising photographs, videos, or information. This abstract describes a study done in the Sonitpur District that examined the incidence and effects of cyberbullying, particularly sextortion, on students. The purpose of the study is to provide light on the prevalence of cyberbullying and the psychological impact that victims suffer. It begins by presenting the idea of cyberbullying and its numerous expressions, focusing on sextortion in particular. It offers a clear overview of the entire body of research on cyberbullying and its impacts on young people, such as psychological suffering, social isolation, and academic challenges. The abstract then focuses more specifically on the Sonitpur District to acknowledge the need for a local study to comprehend the unique dynamics of cyberbullying in this setting.

It then goes into a comparative review of international strategies for stopping sextortion and combating cyberbullying. It examines the laws, regulations, and programmes put in place by various nations to prevent and lessen these problems. It seeks to uncover effective tactics that can be used in other contexts by analysing the variations in approaches and their efficacy.

The abstract addresses how sextortion and cyberbullying are not specifically addressed in India. It highlights the inadequacies in the law, a lack of awareness, and inadequate victim assistance networks. Additionally, it discusses India's jurisdictional difficulties, particularly when addressing cyberbullying that crosses international boundaries and obstructs the investigation and legal proceedings.

The study urges the creation of comprehensive policies and regulations to deal with sextortion and cyberbullying. It also emphasises how important it is to increase awareness among the students, teachers, parents, and the general public to promote a safe and positive atmosphere.

In general, this study offers insightful information about the incidence and effects of sextortion and cyberbullying among the students in Sonitpur District. It emphasises the necessity of preventative actions to deal with these problems and the significance of cooperative efforts among educational institutions.

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