Day 2 Session 2: Privacy, surveillance and data protection

Time: 7:00 UTC - 8:30 UTC

Objective: In this session, participants will learn to examine the different facets of privacy in the digital age and the regulations designed to protect these rights. They will investigate the impact of emerging technologies on privacy by considering the various forms of surveillance currently deployed in society alongside the enabling legal frameworks. This session will further focus on the rise of surveillance-related policies and their implications for the protection and promotion of digital rights.

Session plan:

The session will aim to cover questions such as:

- What is privacy in the digital age and why is it important?
- What are the ways in which the internet and other digital technologies are being used to infringe privacy and engage in surveillance?
- What are the legal and regulatory frameworks in south Asia that protect privacy, including data protection laws? What are the challenges and gaps?
- What are the ways in which legal frameworks in South Asia are being used to enable surveillance?
- What is the impact of such policies on freedom of expression, assembly and association and other rights, especially for marginalised groups?

**Reading materials are hyperlinked, please click the text to access*

Reading Materials:

- The misuse of Personal data protection laws across the Asia-Pacific
- Data Privacy and Data Protection – South and South East Asia
- A critique of consent in Information Privacy
- A Contextual Approach to Privacy Online

- The Age of Surveillance Capitalism
- Privacy and Surveillance, case laws in India
- Privacy and Surveillance, case laws in Sri Lanka
- Privacy and Surveillance, case laws in Pakistan
- Warning of 'Surveillance Capitalism' Nightmare
- Surveillance Capitalism

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