India in UN Convention against Cybercrime

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Recently, the External Affairs Minister signed the United Nations Convention against Cybercrime.

UN Convention against Cybercrime

- It is described by the UN as the **first comprehensive global treaty on cybercrime**.
- **Aim –** To strengthen **global cooperation to prevent and combat cybercrime**.
- **Objectives**
  - **Combating Cybercrime –** It establishes measures for countries to:
    - Prevent cybercrime
    - Combat cyber offences
  - Enhance criminal investigations that involve **information and communication technologies (ICTs)**.
  - Facilitate international cooperation,

    - Enable cross-border investigations,
    - Support the sharing of electronic evidence, and
    - Promote the prosecution and recovery of criminal proceeds.
- **Significance –** It adapts **traditional criminal investigation methods** to address the complexities introduced by information and communication technologie**s**.
- It seeks to address both:
    - **Technical challenges** arising from digital technologies.
    - **Legal/jurisdictional challenges** created by transnational cybercrime.

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