

ELECTRONIC CONTRACTS IN INDIA: AN OVERVIEW

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ABSTRACT

The electronic contract is generally different from traditional contracts. E-contract is a contract executed and enacted by way of software systems. The internet conveniently integrates into a single screen traditional advertising, catalogues, shop displays/windows and physical shopping. A viewer from any part of the world may want to get into contract to purchase a product as advertised. In this transaction, the issue is raised for its execution and protection of the consumers. Fundamental Principles of contract law continue to prevail in contracts made on the internet. Nevertheless, not all principles will or can apply in the same manner that they apply to traditional paper-based and oral contracts. In India, the recognition of an electronic contract is mainly supported by the Information Technology Act, 2000. This paper is divided into basic research issues in e-contracts, including conceptual analysis of e-contract, standard forms of e-contracts, and the ways in which e-contract is concluded, the laws governing to it in India and the consumer's protection in e-contract.

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