

**ABSTRACT**

**DARK WEB: THE MISCALCULATED FIASCO AND FAILURE OF GOVERNMENT  
TO THE CURB THE DIGITAL MENACE**

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The dark web has been a centre of debate over few years. The increasing popularity of the hidden web among techno-geeks is becoming a serious threat to security and individual as well. This paper aims to provide an understanding of dark web and how the tool that was created for the privacy of government documents and for the benefit of official purposes has been misused. The objective is to throw a light on the illegal trade activities taking place behind the veil and inadequacy of the law enforcement body in dealing with issue. Further, the discussion on the use of bitcoin has been made and how bitcoin along with the dark web together is posing a serious threat to life and property. At last, it has been emphasized to make possible amendments in the existing cyber provisions to deal with the issue, as at present the country has no specific law on illegal trading taking place on internet due to which thousands of people are engaging in illegal transactions. That is harmful for the society as a whole.