

ABSTRACT

ANALYSIS OF SPACE ACTIVITIES BILL, 2017

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“Since, in the long run, every planetary civilization will be endangered by impacts from space, every surviving civilization is obliged to become spacefaring--not because of exploratory or romantic zeal, but for the most practical reason imaginable: staying alive... If our long-term survival is at stake, we have a basic responsibility to our species to venture to other worlds.”

As Carl Sagan has aptly said, space exploration is an indispensable need for the civilization. All the countries have invested billions in the ever-growing space technologies. India is no exception to this. With launching small space objects in 1975 to launching massive satellites up to date, India has come a long way in terms of space exploration. But a monumental question arises as to the legal framework. Is the Indian legal framework comprehensive to deal with all the uncertainties and hurdles which are consequences of space activities? While Indian space bill is hailed to be one of the most comprehensive and regulative laws, it is not free from hurdles. But nevertheless, the bill can be a comprehensive answer to all the issues if the loopholes are removed.