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Over the years, cyber crime in Himachal Pradesh has increased exponentially and several people get affected by it every day. Unlike conventional crime, investigation of cyber crime requires special skills and knowledge. Investigation of this genre of crime is very arduous and requires long hours before a computer resource as well as travel to risky criminal areas out of the state.

Hon'ble Prime Minister of India has already directed all the Police Forces to prioritize cyber crime in the context of changing crime scenario in the country. Thus, with an aim to strengthen cyber crime policing, HP Police has launched **Cyber Crime Investigator Badge** which will be a first of its kind initiative amongst all the States Police forces in the country.

It will be a new scheme of reward for cyber crime investigation and will be given twice in a year by the DGP HP to those young police officers who excel in the upcoming field of cyber crime investigation. It will motivate them to specialize in the field of cyber crime investigation and also give them a unique identity.

A Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) has been framed. The purpose of the SOP is to focus on cyber crime & heinous crime investigations; trainings and capacity building, out of state raids and liaison; and learning new technologies.