ICTs for development, democracy & social justice

internet for social justice

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How we work?

we conduct research
to document evidence
for evidence based policy advocacy
to help policy change
and capacity building of people
learning so far…

- research and public interest litigation for policy change.
- Evidence based research outputs are extremely important for public interest litigation.
- It is also important that research is conducted with a credible academic institution
- Networking at national, regional and global level
- Offline & Online - strong social media campaigns couple with offline activities.
- Visuals and interactive multimedia content is much more effective for advocacy campaigns.
- Infographics, posters, and banners are best to attract and engage with youth on social media.
research for litigation

- **Internet Landscape Study** – first ever indigenous effort to map Internet Governance & Internet Rights issues in Pakistan
- **Netsweeper** – Field research (with Citizen Lab)
- **FinFisher Report** – (Report by Citizen Lab – one of our petition is based on this report)
- **Hate Speech Study** – first ever structured research on the topic (Supreme Court referred to this report in its landmark decision of protection of minority rights in Pakistan.
- **Expression Restricted** – mapping of laws in Pakistan
- **Kill switch** study
- **Mapping Laws** – freedom of expression in the context of religion
…current cases in courts (Pakistan & UK)

- Internet Freedoms aka Youtube case
- Digital Surveillance
- Communications Surveillance (UK IPT) – in European Court of Human Rights
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Citizen Journalism has been playing a pivotal role in exposing human rights violations in Pakistan. Online censorship and filtering restricts citizens' voices.

ELECTION RIGGING IN BY ELECTIONS

UNCONTROLLABLE VIOLENCE IN KARACHI

PAKISTAN RANGERS SHOT AN UNARMED YOUTH

SLAPPING WOMAN PRESIDING OFFICER IN BY-ELECTIONS

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challenges

- legal/technical support (MLDI & Others…)
- physical security
- digital security
- authorities/media considers such work anti-state, anti-Islam, blasphemous and against the national interest.
- defamation attempts by Government and different authorities
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