



Cybersquatting

Cybersquatting: A challenge for Public Sector Banks in India

(A research report based on the analysis of .in and .co.in extensions of websites of Public Sector Banks in India)

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Cyber Crime Alert

Reserve Bank of India
and State Bank of
Indore victims of
**PHARMING
ATTACK.**

Immediate legal action
must be initiated.

Key Facts

- Banks having word "of" in their names most susceptible to Squatting
- Out of 119 Domains analyzed **15%** of the total samples are squatted.
- Over **44%** of squatted domains booked by a single entity:
Goodluck Domains
- Cause of approximately **30%** of the domain squatting is lack of awareness.

Few highlights

- Vijaya Bank has lowest threat of cyber squatting; tops the charts with only 2.5 negative marks.
- **United Bank of India's domain name** is owned by Allahabad Bank. (Cybersquatting or Negligence?)
- Bank of Maharashtra leads the charts of booking maximum number of domains for their trade mark.
- Indian Bank books 100% of the domain names in its own name where as Corporation bank books 100% of the domain names in an individual's name.
- Dena Bank – First bank to book it's own domain name
- Bank of Maharashtra redirects all the domain names booked to its official web page but due to more number of combinations, consistency with the commercial domain name becomes difficult.
- State Bank of Saurashtra has no presence in .in segment have not booked the domain name as yet.

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