Protocol on Digital Evidence appeared in the Indian Police Journal

The protocol formulated by Kerala Police by incorporating the procedures while presenting electronic evidence in any Indian Court has been published in the recent edition of Indian Police Journal.

Loknath Behera, State Police Chief and Dr. P Vinod Bhattathiripad, Cyber Consultant, Kerala Police have jointly formulated the protocols entitled “Electronic Evidence in the Indian Courts – A set of Forensic guidelines for the Police Officers in India”.

Any officer dealing with any type of Cyber Evidences such as IP Address, Screen Shot, E-mail, Audio-Video Clipping, Database etc can easily follow the suggested protocols for presenting the evidence legitimately and authentically by strictly following Section 65B of the Indian Evidence Act.

It has been 20 years since the electronic evidences have been incorporated in the Indian Evidence Act. But this is the first time that such a set of detailed forensic guidelines are formulated for the benefit of the investigating officers.

These protocols are expected to help not only the police officers but also the investigating officers of all other investigation agencies in India,
including the CBI, RAW, Customs and the DRI. The State Police Chief Loknath Behera has stated that Kerala Police feel proud to have successfully completed this initiative and will continue such journey towards success.

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