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India needs a comprehensive strategy to fight the production, the spread and the sharing of online inappropriate content. Discuss.

Recently the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) conducted searches across states and union territories as part of "Operation Megh Chakra" against the online circulation and sharing of Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM).

India's efforts:

Kamlesh Vaswani 2013 case

→ Issued orders to ISPs to disable URLs in violation with Art 19(2).

India against CSAM

Shreya Singhal 2015 case

→ Sec 79(3)(b) IT Act

ISP are exempted from liability of any 3rd party information

Aarambh India 2016

→ Mumbai based NGO with Internet Watch Foundation
 → India's First online reporting portal on child abuse.

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Measures by Indian Government :

→ 2018, Ministry of Home Affairs, launched national Cybercrime Reporting portal for filing online Complaints on child pornography.

→ National Crime Records Bureau signed MOU with National Centre for Missing and Exploited children NCMEC in 2019 to receive CyberTipline Reports to take actions.

Need for Comprehensive Strategy :

→ India must join INHOPE and establish its Helpline to utilise Interpol's secure IT infrastructure or collaborate with ISPs and financial Companies.

→ Optional Protocol to the UN Convention on Rights of the child that addresses child sexual exploitation.

→ Jairam Ramesh Committee:

Recommendations on proactive monitoring, mandatory reporting and taking down or blocking CSAM by ISPs.

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Thus India needs to explore all options and adopt an appropriate strategy to fight the production and spread of online CSAM.