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Sumantra Bose is a Counsel in the Corporate, M&A, Data Privacy and Cyber Security practice group in the Kolkata office. He has advised eminent clients in relation to information technology laws in India including on data privacy/protection, intermediary liability and cyber security related issues.

Sumantra has been providing inputs to the Government of India on upcoming technology related laws of the country, including the Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023. He has been recognized as a 'Recommended Lawyer' in 2021, 2022 and 2023 in the Legal500 edition for Data Protection in India and in 2024 for TMT in India.

Representative Matters

In his areas of expertise, Sumantra has advised and represented the following several prominent clients:

- Provided end-to-end support to several global multi-national companies in addressing and responding to show-cause notices issued by the Indian Computer Emergency Team for noncompliance with the cybersecurity and incident reporting direction issued on 28 April 2022;
- Advised on transfer impact assessments for transfer of data by numerous entities based in the European Union, including national authorities;
- Advised several social media platforms on their obligations as intermediaries for availing safe harbour protection under Indian law;
- Acted as legal representative for an online ticket booking platform in responding to a data access request received from law enforcement authorities;
- Advised a leading healthcare platform on its internal restructuring involving transfer of sensitive health and medical data;
- Advised a leading technology company on embedding privacy by design principles across its mobile applications; and
- Advised a leading retail chain on privacy, data protection and cyber

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security aspects in relation to its acquisition of majority interest in a global robotics company.

Publications and Presentations:

Sumantra has authored the following contributions:

- "Data Localization Laws: India" published by Thomson Reuters Practical Law Data Privacy Advisor (July 2024).
- "Data Protection in India: Overview" published by Thomson Reuters Practical Law Data Privacy Advisor (May 2023).
- "India: Comparing the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, 2022 and the GDPR" published by OneTrust DataGuidance (January 2023).

He has also been a speaker on various reputed forums, including:

- US-India Business Council on legal developments pertaining to data privacy;
- Confederation of Indian Industry (CII); and
- NCIIPC (Govt. of India) and Centre of Excellence, West Bengal Government on cyber security awareness.