

# The Role of Cyber Crime Polda DIY in the Fight Against Online Prostitution

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**Abstract:** This article aims to find out the role of the Polda DIY cybercrime team in addressing social problems, namely online prostitution. This research uses qualitative methods with a case study approach. Data collection through observation, interviews, documentation, and literacy. The research site is conducted in the Malioboro area. The research object consists of police officers from Polda DIY and some PSK. The results of this study produced the role of the Polda DIY cyber crime team in tackling the online prostitution among them, cyber patrol and Hotel or inn raid.

## 1. Introduction

Along with the development of the age of technology is inevitable. It is like two sides of the currency. On the one hand, technology provides the advantage and convenience in many ways because its travel power can penetrate the space and time. On the other hand, the use of technology can trigger crimes such as fraud, account breaches, and even sales of people, especially women who will be employed as sex workers. Juvenile prostitution is a growing social problem worldwide [1]. The Era of Industrial Revolution 4.0 has its characteristic of information technology utilization [2].

The utilization of this technology was misused by some to scoop out the maximum profit without having to care anymore bad. Though if used wisely then information technology and telecommunications will facilitate the human being interconnected with one another [3]. People from all corners of the world can communicate as if their distance is very close. The economic vulnerability and limited career options of poor women are significant factors in their recruitment into prostitution [4].

Indonesia is a country that upholds the supremacy of law. It means that law enforcement becomes a mandatory agenda to create a sense of fairness and comfort in the midst of society. As a legal country, it is supposed that Indonesian citizens are obedient and obedient to the prevailing laws and regulations [5]. The law applies to the common interest in order to suppress the crime rate. Therefore, as the development of technology, the police in Indonesia formed a special officer in dealing with crimes in cyberspace.

Laws and legislation were created with the aim to form order [6]. Order in society is craving for all parties. But the name of the crime is still one of the diseases of society such as prostitution. Prostitution in general is the practice of instantaneous sexual intercourse, which is more or less accomplished with anyone in exchange for money [7]. Thus it can be assumed that the perpetrator of prostitution is derived from the lower economy. In fact, there is a shift in the stigma that today is

precisely prostitution done by the high-class celebrities with a fantastic rate reaches 80 million rupiahs once a date. Prostitution is sexual violence which results in economic profit for perpetrators [8].

In today's perception of society, the pros and cons arise related to the issue of prostitution. One party prohibits such activity on the grounds of violating religious norms and Asusila. One party seemed to let in the pretext of human rights because prostitution is considered a livelihood. Whereas prostitution is an unlawful act [9], Both the laws of the country governing adultery, as well as the religious law that required the culprit to be stoned to death. In addition, prostitution is also included in the crime of Decoration. Criminal acts of morality may relate to the actions of trafficking in persons [10]. Although this act is done on the basis of the agreement both sides but still this activity violates the boundaries of immoral.

In addition, prostitution has questioned the nation's identity [11]. As we know that the Indonesian nation adheres to the eastern customs that emphasizes the manners in various aspects of life. Polite in speaking and polite in dressing.

Prostitution itself began to shift in a more professional direction. If this activity was quite amateur because it is done on the roadside, but now this activity facilitated a five-star hotel. No wonder if the fares jumped many times. For amateur classes, The price is pegged only hundreds of thousands and a professional up to hundreds of millions.

Various efforts have been tried to be done by Penggerebegan the hotel as a repressive effort due to prevention or preventive efforts only in the form of appeal. Repressive efforts are usually accompanied by forced enforcement efforts [12]. The meaning of this coercion is final and can not be passed again that this activity is strictly prohibited.

Back to the professional class earlier that the implementation was very neat and safe. It is as if there is no human trafficking because this activity usually begins with the use of social media such as Twitter, Facebook, Me chat, Betalk, and others. Therefore, it is difficult to sniff out traces of the culprit if these commercial sex workers use intermediate services. Other women who work independently are easy to track their digital footprint. Finally, the DIY Polda together with the government needs to make and execute law enforcement [13]. This law enforcement should be fair and give a deterrent effect so that similar events do not revisit.

## **2. Method**

This study uses qualitative methods with a case study approach. With the qualitative method, data obtained is accurate data because this research is natural. Data collection techniques using observation, interviews, and documentation. Observation conducted on Malioboro Road Yogyakarta for 1 week starting from 20:00 WIB until 03:00 WIB, observation also held at Polda DIY to know the role of Cyber Crime team in combating prostitution online. Interviews were conducted against commercial sex workers to find out the reason he was involved in prostitution online.

## **3. Result and Discussion**

Yogyakarta Regional police address on the road of North Ring Road leaning chess, Depok, Sleman. Yogyakarta Special Region Police or the special region of Polda Yogyakarta abbreviated Polda DIY is based on police duty in the region of the special region of Yogyakarta, as shown in Figure 1. Polda DIY because it belongs to Polda type A, is headed by a police chief of the District with a two star rank.



**Figure 1.** Yogyakarta Regional Police Headquarters

According to the Organization of European Community Development (OECD), Cybercrime is any kind of activity that is illegal with personal data. That is, all kinds of unauthorized activities in the computerized system include a crime that violates the law. If viewed in general the notion of cybercrime is a crime in cyberspace by utilizing the sophistication of technology and Internet access as a vehicle in launching a crime action. The point of cybercrime arises because the era of digitization in Industrial Revolution 4.0 is increasing but not coupled with a high level of vigilance.



**Figure 2.** Applications Used for Online Prostitution

Some examples of cybercrime crimes such as faking someone's social media account as if the account did indeed belong to it. Crime by disguised being someone else is misused like requesting a large amount of money transfer. Usually, victims of account counterfeiting are famous people who have many followers on their social media, as shown in Figure 2. Therefore we do not easily trust if suddenly someone asks for money with a claim as a brother or friend. In all the ways in which prostitution can be seen as harmful to children, it can also be shown to be manifestly harmful to adults [14]

Furthermore, there is data theft, this one cybercrime activity is usually done to fulfill commercial interests because there are others who want other party confidential data. This action is certainly illegal to enter into criminal activity because it can cause material losses that lead to the bankruptcy of an institution or company. Stolen data is personal data that, if it is leaking on another person, will be misused for its interests.

Furthermore, Cyber Terrorism is a cybercrime action that is being fought by many major countries in the world, including Indonesia. The reason, cyber terrorism activities often threaten the safety of citizens or even the stakeholders who are in the course of governance.

The sex industry has aggressively adopted, and in a few cases invented, Internet technologies to increase men's sexual access to women and children [15]. The next type of cybercrime is Hacking. The dangerous actions that are often performed by professional programmers are usually specifically targeting the weaknesses or gaps of the security system to benefit from material or personal satisfaction. If judging from the activities done, hacking actually does not always have bad connotations because there are also positive hackers who use its ability for beneficial and not detrimental activities. Prostitutes may also suffer from mental health problems [16]. For example, a hacker who was given the task to track the existence of a fugitive or hacker who collaborated with the Bewenang to eradicate illegal activity in the digital realm.

Carding, then, is a term used to refer to misuse of credit card information belonging to others. Carders usually use other people's card credit access to buy groceries online. Then, the free goods are resold at a low price to earn money. Digital crime by carding is usually common abroad, while for users in Indonesia the number of recorded cases is not too large as there are still 100 credit card users who like to transact in cyberspace.

Then Defacing, among the previous cybercrime action, Defacing is arguably the lightest online criminal activity. It is one of them because deface actors usually target non-profit websites such as government sites, schools, or universities.

Furthermore Cybersquatting, the term Cybersquatting not yet familiar among users in the homeland. Naturally, it is because the domain name interception itself does require capital as well as the that many people do not have. These cybercrime results are usually an unnatural ransom.

Then Cyber Typosquatting, almost similar to the cybersquatting, cyber action typosquatting equally eyeing the domain name belonging to the famous company to be targeted. The difference is that these activities make use of domain name resemblance as well as user negligence that rarely recheck the company's website URL. One of the objectives of the cyber typosquatting is to impose a good image of the brand concerned with the way of committing fraud or other illegal things that violate the law. Male prostitution was regarded as a problem that involved a minority of perverts who could be clearly distinguished from other members of the population [17]

Further disseminating illegal content, spreading illegal content that violates laws into the most widely considered cyber crime case. This activity usually involves a famous figure or content that is capable of fishing controversy. Some examples of illegal content in the realm of cybercrime include pornographic video, illegal arms sales, narcotics buying, and selling, etc.



**Figure 3.** Yogyakarta Regional Police Successfully Reveals the Crimes of Online Prostitution

So to tackle the cybercrime, the Government of Indonesia in this case police especially Polda DIY formed a unit of Ditreskrimsus cybercrime and some other policies such as making the law, as shown in Figure 3. The most elegant way that cybercrime actions are not increasingly rampant is by making the rules incorporated into the law. Law enforcement will eventually make cybercrime players think long before committing criminal acts because the legal basis is obvious. In Indonesia, the rules on cybercrime are currently in the act of the ITE law. However, unfortunately, the pattern of the suppressing is still not maximal and often feels forced. Law enforcement in cyberspace is still gray because the electronic document itself can not be used as evidence by the criminal CODE.

Then need to form a special handling institute such as Cyber Crime Division Mabes Polri. Now we need such a special institution to ward off and investigate the potential occurrence of crimes in the digital sphere. Some countries have already started to implement this concept by forming a special institution that handles cybercrime problems, though it will only be effective if applied by many countries, so there is no gap for cyber-crime perpetrators wherever they are.

#### **4. Conclusion**

In handling cases of prostitution online especially in the region of Yogyakarta, the Cyber Crime team of DIY Polda has done its job well. Prevention and enforcement efforts have also been conducted in accordance with the procedures applied. All agreed that the task to eradicate prostitution online is not easy, so it is necessary to cooperate with all parties to support it as the role of government, related ministries, and all of us as citizens.

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