

Preface

With the advent of information technology and computerization, boundaries of the States have lost their importance. Crimes have become international, increasingly spreading across the globe. Internet crimes like account hacking and credit card frauds are also on the rise. Terrorism is also growing increasingly faceless, with criminals having access to the internet.

Thus, although crime in the modern scenario has no boundaries but the criminal law of the State had its own limitations: territorial jurisdiction plays an important role in bringing a criminal to justice. Therefore, in cases where the fugitive escapes from the territorial jurisdiction of the State after committing an offence, or actually commits the offence while remaining beyond the boundaries of the State, the law of extradition steps in. In view of the ever-increasing threat to the world by terrorism, the law of extradition has an important role to play in bringing the fugitive to the altar of law.

Keeping these facts in view I thought there should be a book summarising the scattered law on this issue. With this in mind, I have made the effort to write this book. I hope this book proves helpful to the entire Bench, the Bar, the students of law, as well as enforcement agencies.

I solicit suggestions for the improvement of the book.

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