ABSTRACT

Online Gender-Based Violence is gender-based violence perpetrated over the internet. One of the most common form of Online Gender-Based Violence that is commonly encountered is cyber harassment or online harassment which includes actions such as verbal harassment through comments or messages, discrimination, and hate speech. As one of the communities active on the internet or social media, cosplayers can not escape the potential to become victims of harassment both on the internet and in the real world. This research was conducted to find out how the cyber harassment experienced by cosplayers in Bandung. The author uses a qualitative method with a phenomenological approach with the aim of examining and understanding more deeply how cyber harassment informants receive. The results of this study show that there are various forms of cyber harassment received by the informants, both written and visual. Written cyber harassment can be in the form of body shaming, negative comments that degrade victims, and also invitations to do sexting, and then visual cyber harassment victims receive indecent photos and photos of the perpetrator's vital organs. In addition, the impact that occurred on informants after experiencing cyber harassment was psychological impact or loss and self-censorship, but several victims admitted that cyber harassment did not affect them.

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