

# Monitor IP addresses of bidders during e-Auctions



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These days, most of the SPs are having facility in their system to get IP addresses of participating bidders. These IP addresses are received from the computers of bidders against their names, when they participate in e-auction. Service provider can use these IP addresses and include in e-auctions reports of clients indicating even in bid sequence of the e-auction.

- Most of clients insist of availability of provision of IP address in the software of SP as a normal feature. Monitoring of IP addresses helps in controlling the cartel formation as one of the utility of IP address as SP can have the knowledge of bidders, which helps to check whether they are bidding together from one computer or not.
- This monitoring of IP addresses is one main tool for checking and controlling of cartel formation along with other factors.

**Conclusion:** *SP should implement best of e-auctioning techniques and use of IP address on screen as well as in report is one step towards that.*

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