

## **EXPERIMENT 7 — Study of HTTP, HTTPS, and FTP using Packet Tracer**

### **Aim:**

Study and analyze performance of **HTTP, HTTPS, and FTP protocols** using Cisco Packet Tracer.

### **Objectives:**

Understand the concept and working of HTTP, HTTPS, and FTP protocols.

### **Theory (Summary):**

#### **FTP (File Transfer Protocol)**

- Standard protocol for file transfer between client and server.
- Works on **port 21** (control) and **20** (data).
- Uses **TCP** (reliable).
- Can perform upload (PUT), download (GET), delete, rename.

#### **HTTP (HyperText Transfer Protocol)**

- Used for transferring web pages.
- Works on **port 80**.
- Data sent in plain text (not secure).

#### **HTTPS (HTTP Secure)**

- Secure version of HTTP.
- Works on **port 443**.
- Uses **SSL/TLS** for encryption.

### **FTP Configuration Steps in Packet Tracer:**

1. Configure IPs of Laptop (Client) and Server.
2. Connect via ftp 192.168.1.2 and login (cisco/cisco).
3. Upload file using put filename.
4. Verify upload in Server → Services → FTP.
5. Upload HTML file to HTTP directory and access via browser.

### **Conclusion:**

Successfully analyzed HTTP, HTTPS, and FTP protocols using Packet Tracer.

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#### ◆ **Oral / Viva Questions and Answers**

1. **Difference between HTTP and HTTPS?**

► HTTPS adds SSL/TLS encryption for secure data transfer; HTTP is plain text.

2. **Which protocol does FTP use?**
  - TCP (Transmission Control Protocol).
3. **Port numbers:**
  - HTTP – 80, HTTPS – 443, FTP – 20 & 21.
4. **What is FTP used for?**
  - Uploading and downloading files between client and server.
5. **Which commands are used in FTP?**
  - put, get, delete, rename, cd.
6. **Can multiple clients connect to an FTP server?**
  - Yes, multiple clients can connect simultaneously.
7. **What happens when we open a website using HTTPS?**
  - The browser performs an SSL/TLS handshake to establish a secure session.