### **Proposed Solution Template:-**

To effectively understand and mitigate cyber threats, organizations need a structured approach using Nessus and other vulnerability scanning tools. Below are solution templates that provide a step-by-step framework for implementing vulnerability management and threat mitigation strategies.

# 1. <u>General Cybersecurity Framework Using Nessus & Beyond Objective:</u>

To create a robust cybersecurity framework using vulnerability scanning tools to detect and mitigate cyber threats efficiently.

### **Solution Approach:**

Step	Action	Tools Used
Step 1	Identify and classify assets (networks,	Nessus, OpenVAS,
	servers , databases).	Qualys.
Step 2	Perform automated vulnerability scans.	Nessus , Nexpose , Burp
		Suite.
Step 3	Analyze and prioritize risks based on	CVSS Scoring , Threat
	severity.	Intelligence Platforms.
Step 4	Apply patches and security updates	Patch Mangagement
		Systems.
Step 5	Conduct penetration testing for deeper	Metasploit , Burp Suite.
	assessment.	
Step 6	Implement continuous monitoring &	SIEM (Splunk , IBM
	reporting.	Qradar).

<u>Expected Outcome</u>: Reduced security vulnerabilities and faster threat detection. Enhanced compliance with industry standards like ISO 27001, GDPR, and PCI-DSS.

## 2. <u>Automated Vulnerability Management Plan</u> Objective:

To create an automated vulnerability detection and remediation system using Nessus and complementary tools.

## **Solution Approach:**

Phase	Action Plan	Tools Used
Assessment Phase	Run periodic Nessus scans to identify vulnerabilities.	Nessus , OpenVAS.
Prioritization Phase	Rank vulnerability based on risk level and exploitability.	CVSS , Tenable.io
Remediation Phase	Automate patch deployment for critical vulnerability.	SCCM , WSUS , Ansible.
Verification Phase	Re-scan and validate fixes to ensure security gaps are closed.	Nessus , Nexpose.
Monitoring Phase	Set up real-time alerts and incident response automation.	SIEM , SOAR (Splunk , IBM Resilient).

## **Expected Outcome:**

Automated detection and patching of vulnerabilities. Fewer security breaches and reduced attack surface.

# 3. <u>Cloud Security Strategy with Nessus & Other Scanners</u> <u>Objective:</u>

To secure cloud-based infrastructures by integrating vulnerability scanning tools into cloud environments.

## **Solution Approach:**

Step	Action	Tools Used
Step 1	Identify and map cloud assets.	AWS Inspector , Nessus ,
		Qualys.
Step 2	Perform regular vulnerability scans on cloud	Nessus , Tenable.io
	instances.	
Step 3	Secure APIs and web applications	Acunetix , Burp Suite.
Step 4	Implement cloud security posture management	Prisma Cloud , Microsoft
	(CSPM).	Defender for Cloud.
Step 5	Continuously monitor threats and automate	AWS Security Hud , SIEM.
	response.	

## **Expected Outcome:**

Enhanced visibility into cloud security risks. Proactive detection and response to cloud-based cyber threats.

# 4. Zero Trust Security Model Using Nessus & Beyond Objective:

To implement a Zero Trust architecture using Nessus and other security tools to prevent unauthorized access.

## **Solution Approach:**

Components	Implementation Strategy	Tools Used
Identity & Access	Enforce MFA & Least Privilege.	Okta , Microscoft Azure
Control		AD.
Vulnerability	Regular scans for	Nessus , Qualys ,
Scanning	misconfigurations & threats.	Nexpose.
Network	Restrict access to sensitive	Firewalls , SD-WAN.
Segmentation	data.	
Continous	Real-time threats detection &	SIEM, SOAR
Monitoring	response.	
Incident	Automated attact mitigation.	CrowdStrike , IBM
Response		Resilient.

#### **Expected Outcome:**

Stronger access control and zero-trust enforcement. Continuous verification of network security to prevent breaches.