## PhonePe Vulnerability Report- User Impersonation Attack

PhonePe is a UPI based App to provide a cashless and a seamless payment experience.

• Version: 3.0.6 - 3.3.26

Package name: com.PhonePe.app

• Vulnerabilities found:

- Exposure of Private Information
- Authentication Bypass
- Improper verification of the source

## 1. User Impersonation Attack

## **Impact Description:**

For this attack, the user does not need an account of PhonePe. A malicious app is running on the victim device that can intercept SMS messages and forward it to an attacker. An attacker can setup a PhonePe account on behalf of a user on his device. This account can be used to carry out fraudulent activities, which could implicate the victim.

## • Steps to reproduce:

- o Attacker Installs PhonePe. She sets up her account by entering the victims phone number.
- o PhonePe server sends OTP to victim which the malicious app forwards to attacker.
- Attacker enters the OTP to login to the app and sets a PIN for the user. At this point, user account is setup completely.