# **Penetration Testing Report**

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## **Executive Summary**

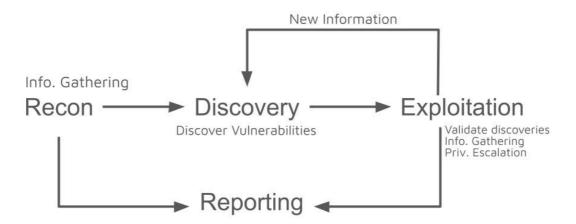
AccuKnox engaged [Aymaan balbale] to conduct a security assessment and penetration test against the itsecgames.com web application. The main goal of the engagement was to evaluate the security of the platform and identify possible threats and vulnerabilities. This report details the scope of the engagement, comprehensive information about all findings, and actionable recommendations.

Based on the security assessment, the current overall risk rating for itsecgames.com is **CRITICAL**.

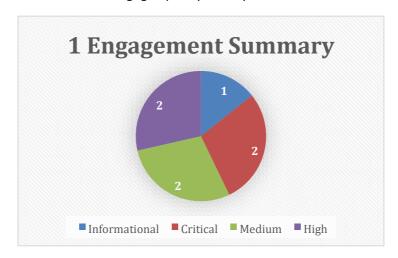
The vulnerabilities discovered can be used by malicious actors to cause a complete data breach, including the theft of user credentials, and potentially gain full remote control of the server. The summary below provides an overview of the findings, while the second section provides in-depth technical details, reproduction steps, and mitigation advice for a technical audience.

#### Methodology

The methodology followed a standard penetration testing lifecycle: Reconnaissance -> Discovery -> Reporting. Exploitation was not performed to remain within the defined scope.



The following charts summarize the findings grouped by severity of the threat:



## 1 Engagement Summary

## 1.1 Scope

As requested, the security assessment was carried out only on the following target:

• **Domain:** itsecgames.com (IP: 31.3.96.40)

## 1.2 Risk Ratings

The vulnerability risk was calculated based on the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS v3.1), which is the industry standard for assessing the severity of security vulnerabilities.

| Risk          | CVSS v3.1 Score | Recommendation   |
|---------------|-----------------|--|
| Informational | 0.0             | N/A  |
| Low           | 0.1 - 3.9       | Fix when time permits.                                   |
| Medium        | 4.0 - 6.9       | Fix within the next update cycle                         |
| High          | 7.0 - 8.9       | Fix immediately if there are 0 critical vulnerabilities. |
| Critical      | 9.0 - 10.0      | Fix immediately.   |

## 1.3 Findings Overview

Below is a list of all the issues found during the engagement along with a brief description, its impact and the risk rating associated with it. Please refer to the "Risk Ratings" section for more information on how this is calculated.

| ID | Risk     | Description  |
|----|----------|--|
| 1  | Critical | Publicly exposed database backups leading to full data compromise.               |
| 2  | Critical | Invalid SSL/TLS certificate enabling Man-in-the-Middle attacks                   |
| 3  | High     | Outdated CMS (Drupal 7) with known remote code execution vulnerabilities.        |
| 4  | High     | Outdated SSH server (OpenSSH 6.7p1) with known public exploits.                  |
| 5  | Medium   | Missing HTTP security headers increasing risk of client-side attacks.            |
| 6  | Medium   | Outdated TLS protocols (1.0, 1.1) enabled, weakening encryption.                 |
| 7  | Low      | Web Application Firewall (WAF) detected, indicating a positive security control. |

## 2.1 Publicly Exposed Database Backups CRITICAL ID: 1

I discovered that the web server hosts publicly accessible database backup files. An attacker can download these files directly without any authentication, resulting in a complete data breach.

| URL          | http://itsecgames.com/database.tar.bz2<br>https://itsecgames.com/MFH9vl9x.sql   |
|--------------|---|
| Parameter    | N/A   |
| References   | https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/2017/A3_2017-Sensitive_Data_Exposure  |
| Reproduction | nikto -h http://itsecgames.com  |
| Response     | /database.tar.bz2: Drupal 7 was identified via the x-generator header. /MFH9vl9x.sql: The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. |

#### **Impact:**

As a result of this vulnerability, a malicious actor can:

- 1. Download the entire application database.
- 2. Retrieve all user data, including usernames and hashed passwords.
- 3. Gain access to sensitive configuration details.

#### Mitigation:

- Immediately remove database.tar.bz2 and MFH9v19x.sql from the web root.
- Store all backups in a secure, non-public location with strict access controls.
- Audit web server logs to determine if these files were accessed by unauthorized parties.

## 2.2 Invalid SSL/TLS Certificate CRITICAL ID: 2

The SSL/TLS certificate for itsecgames.com is expired, self-signed, and issued for a different domain (mmebv.be). This completely breaks the chain of trust and renders HTTPS ineffective.

| URL          | https://itsecgames.com   |
|--------------|--|
| Parameter    | N/A  |
| References   | https://www.google.com/search?q=https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/2013/a6sensitive-data-exposure |
| Reproduction | sslscan itsecgames.com   |
| Response     | Subject: web.mmebvba.com Issuer: web.mmebvba.com Not valid after: May 22 09:07:54 2025 GMT           |

<u>Impact:</u> A malicious actor can perform a Man-in-the-Middle (MitM) attack to intercept, read, and modify all traffic between users and the server, including login credentials.

#### **Mitigation:**

- Obtain a valid SSL certificate from a trusted Certificate Authority (e.g., Let's Encrypt).
- Ensure the certificate's Common Name (CN) and Subject Alternative Names (SANs) correctly list itsecgames.com.

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## 2.3 Outdated CMS (Drupal 7) High ID: 3

The web server is running Drupal 7, an outdated Content Management System with a history of critical, unauthenticated remote code execution vulnerabilities like "Drupalgeddon 2" (CVE2018-7600).

| URL          | https://itsecgames.com                                 |
|--------------|--|
| Parameter    | N/A  |
| References   | https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2018-7600         |
| Reproduction | nikto -h https://itsecgames.com                        |
| Response     | /: Drupal 7 was identified via the x-generator header. |

<u>Impact:</u> An attacker can use publicly available exploits to take full control of the web server.

#### Mitigation:

- Develop an immediate plan to migrate the website to a supported platform (e.g., Drupal 10+).
- Apply all available security patches for Drupal 7 as an interim measure.

## 2.4 Outdated SSH Server (OpenSSH 6.7p1) High ID: 4

The server is running a version of OpenSSH from 2014, which has numerous known vulnerabilities.

| URL          | SSH on port 22                                  |
|--------------|---|
| Parameter    | N/A   |
| References   | https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/cve-2016-10009 |
| Reproduction | nmap -sV itsecgames.com                         |
| Response     | 22/tcp open ssh OpenSSH 6.7p1 (protocol 2.0)    |

<u>Impact:</u> An attacker could potentially exploit these known vulnerabilities to gain remote access to the server.

#### **Mitigation:**

• Update the OpenSSH server package to the latest stable version provided by the OS distributor.

(Additional findings for Medium and Informational vulnerabilities would follow the same format.)

## 2.5 Missing HTTP Security Headers Medium ID: 5

The server fails to send important security headers that instruct browsers to enable built-in security features. This absence weakens the site's defenses against common client-side attacks.

| URL          | https://itsecgames.com   |
|--------------|--|
| Parameter    | N/A  |
| References   | https://cheatsheetseries.owasp.org/cheatsheets/HTTP_Headers_Cheat_Sheet.html   |
| Reproduction | nikto -h https://itsecgames.com  |
| Response     | The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present. The XContent-<br>Type-Options header is not set. The site uses TLS and the StrictTransport-<br>Security HTTP header is not defined. |

**Impact:** The missing headers expose users to attacks such as:

- 1. **Clickjacking:** An attacker can load the site in a hidden frame to trick users into performing unintended actions.
- 2. **SSL Stripping:** Without HSTS, an attacker can downgrade a user's connection from secure HTTPS to unencrypted HTTP.

## **Mitigation:**

• Configure the Apache server to send the following HTTP headers with every response: "

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Apache

Header always set Strict-Transport-Security "max-age=31536000; includeSubDomains"
Header always set X-Frame-Options "SAMEORIGIN"
Header always set X-Content-Type-Options "nosniff"
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## 2.6 Outdated TLS Protocols Enabled Medium ID: 6

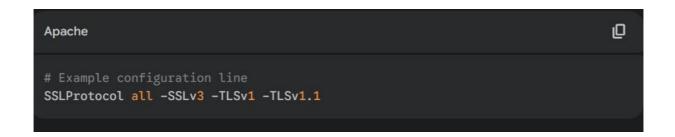
The server supports obsolete and insecure protocols (TLS 1.0 and TLS 1.1), which have known cryptographic weaknesses and are deprecated by all modern browsers and security standards.

| URL          | HTTPS on port 443   |
|--------------|---|
| Parameter    | N/A   |
| References   | https://www.google.com/search?q=https://www.nist.gov/blogs/it-security/nist-guidancedeprecating-tls-10-and-tls-11 |
| Reproduction | sslscan itsecgames.com  |
| Response     | TLSv1.0 enabled TLSv1.1 enabled   |

<u>Impact:</u> A sophisticated attacker could potentially force a user's browser to connect using these weaker protocols, making the encrypted traffic easier to intercept and decrypt.

#### Mitigation:

 Modify the Apache SSL/TLS configuration file to disable these protocols and allow Only modern, secure versions.



## 2.7 Web Application Firewall (WAF) Detected Informational ID: 7

During testing, automated attempts to interact with the Drupal login form (/user/login) were consistently blocked with a 403 Forbidden error. This indicates the presence of a security control.

| URL          | https://itsecgames.com/user/login                                    |
|--------------|--|
| Parameter    | N/A  |
| References   | https://owasp.org/www-community/Web_Application_Firewall             |
| Reproduction | curl -d "name=admin&pass=admin" https://itsecgames.com/user/login -k |
| Response     | HTTP/1.1 403 Forbidden   |

<u>Impact:</u> This is a **positive security finding**. It shows that a defensive mechanism is in place that is effective at blocking basic automated attacks against authenticated endpoints..

## **Mitigation:**

• No mitigation is required. It is recommended to maintain and regularly update the rules to ensure continued effectiveness against emerging threats.