**Chage Command**

1: Use chage command to Show the password aging information of a user

# chage -l username

2: Changing Passward expiry Information

# chage <UserName>

3. Set Password Expiry Date for an user using chage option -M

# chage -M number-of-days username

For ex. chage -M 10 amit

4. Set the Account Expiry Date for an User

# chage -E "2009-05-31" amit

5. Force the user account to be locked after X number of inactivity days

# chage -I 10 amit

6. How to disable password aging for an user account

To turn off the password expiration for an user account, set the following:

-m 0 will set the minimum number of days between password change to 0

-M 99999 will set the maximum number of days between password change to 99999

-I -1 (number minus one) will set the “Password inactive” to never

-E -1 (number minus one) will set “Account expires” to never.

# chage -m 0 -M 99999 -I -1 -E -1 dhinesh

7: Set the password expiry warning message

By default, this value is set to 7. So, when a user logs in prior to 7 days of expiry, they will start getting warning about the looming password expiry. If you want to change it to 10 days, you can do it as follows:

chage –W 10 testuser

8: Forcing the users to change the password on next logon

When you create a new user account, you can set it to force the user to change the password when they login for the first time as follows:

chage –d 0 testuser