

Indian Computer Emergency Response Team

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
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• CERT-IN PARTICIPATED IN APCERT CYBER DRILL 2023 ON "DIGITAL SUPPLY CHAIN REDEMPTION" on 16st August 2023.

(Cert-In) - August 16, 2023

The Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) today has successfully completed its annual drill to test the response capability of leading Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRT) within the Asia Pacific economies. CERT-In participated in the APCERT drill 2022 for the seventeenth consecutive year and completed each task successfully within designated time.

• <u>"Safe & Trusted Internet - Cyber Security for Digital Nagriks & Digital Enterprises" on 5th July 2023.</u>

(Cert-In) - July 05, 2023

The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In), Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) organized Digital India Dialogue on "Safe & Trusted Internet - Cyber Security for Digital Nagriks & Digital Enterprises" on July 5, 2023. The objective of this dialogue was to discuss and share ideas among relevant stakeholders, key government departments, and industry entities responsible for creating awareness, sensitize the digital nagariks & digital enterprises and developing roadmap for addressing the issues and challenges faced by digital nagriks & digital enterprises.

• <u>CERT-In issues "Guidelines on Information Security Practices" for Government entities</u> for safe and trusted Internet

(PIB) - June 30, 2023

MoS Rajeev Chandrasekhar: These guidelines are a roadmap for the Government entities and industry to ensure safe & trusted and secure cyber space

To further address the goal of safe cyberspace, today the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) has released guidelines on information security practices. These guidelines, issued under the powers conferred by clause (e) of sub-section (4) of section 70B of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000), apply to all Ministries, Departments, Secretariats, and Offices specified in the First Schedule to the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961, along with their attached and subordinate offices.

• G20 Cyber Security Exercise for Banking Sector

(PIB) - June 06, 2023

An International Conference on "Cyber Security Exercise for Banking Sector" under India's G20 Presidency was jointly conducted by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In), Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India (GOI) in Mumbai on June 5, 2023.

• G20 Cyber Security Exercise and Drill

(PIB) - February 01, 2023

The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) conducted this Cyber Security Exercise and drill in hybrid mode (Physical and Virtual) where international participants from more than 12 countries joined through online mode while domestic participants from diverse sectors such as Finance, Education, Telecom, Ports & Shipping, Energy, IT/ITeS and others attended in-person as well as in virtual mode.

• Cyber Security Exercise "PowerEX- 2022"

(Cert-In) - October 12, 2022

Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) in collaboration with Power-CSIRTs, successfully designed & conducted the Cyber Security Exercise "PowerEX" for 193 invited Power Sector Utilities on 12 October 2022. The Exercise Planner Team of Power CSIRTs' officials worked along with CERT-In team on the exercise day as Exercise Coordinators (EXCONs). The Objective of the exercise was to "Recognize, Analyse & Respond to Cyber Incident in IT & OT systems".

• Exercise "Synergy"

(Cert-In) - August 31, 2022

Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) in collaboration with Cyber Security Agency of Singapore (CSA), today, successfully designed & conducted the Cyber Security Exercise "Synergy" for 13 Countries as part of the International Counter Ransomware Initiative-Resilience Working Group which is being led by India under the leadership of National Security Council Secretariat(NSCS).

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• CERT-IN PARTICIPATED IN APCERT CYBER DRILL 2022 ON "DATA BREACH THROUGH SECURITY MALPRACTICE"

(Cert-In) - August 25, 2022

The Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) today has successfully completed its annual drill to test the response capability of leading Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRT) within the Asia Pacific economies. CERT-In participated in the APCERT drill 2022 for the sixteenth consecutive year and completed each task successfully within designated time.

• <u>Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) releases FAQs to address queries on Cyber Security Directions of 28.04.2022</u>

(PIB) - May 18, 2022

Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Minister of State for Electronics & Information Technology & Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, released a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document here today i.e. on 18.05.2022. The document explains the nuances of the Cyber Security Directions of 28.04.2022 issued by CERT-In under sub-section (6) of section 70B of the Information Technology Act, 2000 for enabling better understanding of various stakeholders as well as to promote Open, Safe & Trusted and Accountable Internet in the country. The FAQs have been prepared in response to general queries received by CERT-In on the Cyber Security Directions issued on 28.04.2022.

• <u>Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) issues directions relating to information security practices, procedure, prevention, response and reporting of cyber incidents for Safe & Trusted Internet</u>

(PIB) - April 28, 2022

The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) serves as the national agency for performing various functions in the area of cyber security in the country. On 28 April, 2022, CERT-In issued directions relating to information security practices, procedure, prevention, response and reporting of cyber incidents under the provisions of sub-section (6) of section 70B of the Information Technology Act 2000. These directions shall enhance overall cyber security posture and ensure safe & trusted Internet in the country.

• <u>Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) is authorized as a CVE Numbering Authority (CNA) by the CVE Program</u>

(PIB) - October 27, 2021

To move a step further in the direction to strengthen trust in "Make in India" as well as to nurture responsible vulnerability research in the country, CERT-In has partnered with the CVE Program. In this regard, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) has been authorized by the CVE Program, as a CVE Numbering Authority (CNA) for vulnerabilities impacting all products designed, developed and manufactured in India.

• Cyber Security Table Top Exercise for Board Members & Top Management of Power Sector Utilities

(Cert-In) - October 09, 2021

With the objective of improving the cyber security readiness to counter cyber threats in Power sector, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) successfully conducted the Cyber Security Table Top Exercise for the Board Members & Top Management of Indian Power Sector utilities on 09th October 2021.

• <u>CERT-IN PARTICIPATED IN APCERT CYBER DRILL 2021 ON "SUPPLY CHAIN ATTACK"</u>

(Cert-In) - August 25, 2021

The Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) today has successfully completed its annual drill to test the response capability of leading Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRT) within the Asia Pacific economies. CERT-In participated in the APCERT drill 2021 for the fifteenth consecutive year and completed each task successfully within designated time.

• CYBER SHOCK-2

(Cert-In) - July 12, 2021

With the objective of improving the cyber security readiness to counter cyber threats in Power sector, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) successfully conducted "Cyber Shock -2", a Cyber Exercise based on Cyber-attack and defence on IT & ICS/OT Network and Advanced Cyber Exercise & competition for Power Sector utilities from 5th July & 12th July.

• Black Swan - Cyber Security Breach Exercise

(Cert-In) - July 09, 2020

With the objective of improving the cyber security readiness to counter cyber threats in organisations, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) successfully conducted "Black Swan - Cyber Security Breach Table Top Exercise" on Covid-19 pandemic themed cyber-attacks with key stakeholders on 9th July 2020.

• CERT-IN PARTICIPATED IN APCERT CYBER DRILL 2020 "BANKER DOUBLES DOWN ON MINER"

(apcert.org) - March 11, 2020

The Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) today has successfully completed its annual drill on 11th March 2020 to test the response capability of leading Computer

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Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRT) within the Asia Pacific economies. CERT-In participated in the APCERT drill 2020 for the consecutive fourteenth year and was able to complete each task successfully within designated time.

• CERT-IN PARTICIPATED IN APCERT CYBER DRILL 2019 ON "CATASTROPHIC SILENT DRAINING IN ENTERPRISE NETWORK"

(apcert.org) - July 31, 2019

The Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) has successfully completed its annual drill on 31st July 2019 to test the response capability of leading Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRT) within the Asia Pacific economies.

• <u>PIB Press Release on Digital India Awards: Release of Cyber Crisis Management Plan(CCMP) 2019 and Guidance Framework for CCMP</u>

(pib.nic.in) - February 21, 2019

Release of Cyber Crisis Management Plan(CCMP) 2019 and Guidance Framework for CCMP during Digital India Awards on 22nd February 2019 at India Habitat Centre

• Workshop on Cyber Security - Cyber Crisis Table Top Exercise held at ATI, Gangtok" (www.sikkim.gov.in) - June 23, 2018

A half day workshop on Cyber Security - Cyber Crisis Table Top Exercise was conducted by the Dept. of Information Technology, Govt. of Sikkim in collaboration with Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) at ATI, Gangtok.

• CERT-IN PARTICIPATED IN APCERT CYBER DRILL ON "DATA BREACH VIA MALWARE ON IOT"

(apcert.org) - March 07, 2018

The Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) today has successfully completed its annual drill today on 7th March 2018 to test the response capability of leading Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRT) from the Asia Pacific economies...........

Govt working to set up financial CERT to tackle cyber threats

(www.livemint.com) - November 16, 2017

....The government is working to set up a financial Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT) to tackle a rise in cyber threats to India; s financial institutions....

• Indian Computer Emergency Response Team issues medium severity alert on "Bad Rabbit" ransomware

(firstpost.com) - October 31, 2017

....The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) has issued a medium severity alert for Bad Rabbit, a ransomware that spread in Ukraine, Bulgaria, Turkey and Japan. A major portion of the targets were in Russia. The ransomware infects a machine by pretending to be an Adobe Flash Installer, then spreads through the network though open server message block shares, dropping malware through a hardcoded list of credentials.....

• Airport, railway Wi-Fi hotspots for cyber attacks, warns government agency (Economic Times) - October 20, 2017

.....Browsing internet using public wireless computer network at railway stations and airports may leave you vulnerable to cyber attacks, government agency Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-in) has warned......

• <u>CERT-In issues high severity alert on Xafekopy WAP billing trojan affecting Android smartphones</u>

(firstpost.com) - September 12, 2017

.....The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) has issued a high security alert on the Xafekopy trojan that affects Android smartphones. The malware is distributed under the guise of utility applications, typically an app to optimise the battery performance......

• Bhopal: Police to take CERT help following Damoh student suicide

(The FreePress Journal) - September 05, 2017

.....Bhopal: The police will take help of Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-in) to know the details about the death of the student in Damoh district on Sunday.....

• Locky ransomware hits Indian cyberspace, government issues alert

(Indian Express,India) - September 04, 2017

.....Locky, a deadly "ransomware" has hit India. State-run Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-in) has issued an advisory on the spreading of Locky ransonware in the country, urging users to not open any emails with attachments from unknown senders...

Amid Sikkim stand-off, Chinese phone companies told to give security info over data leak concerns

(DNA) - August 17, 2017

....Amidst reports of data leakage, the government on Wednesday asked 21 smartphone makers, including Chinese firms, to provide details of safety and security practices followed by them to ensure security and privacy of personal data in the mobile phones......

• <u>First phase of National Cyber Coordination Centre made operational, says PP Chaudhary</u> (PTI) - August 10, 2017

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...The first phase of the National Cyber Coordination Centre (NCCC), set up to scan the country's web traffic to detect cyber security threats, has been made operational now, Parliament was informed today.....

• One cybercrime in India every 10 minutes

(timesofindia.indiatimes.com) - July 22, 2017

...... According to the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In), 27,482 cases of cybercrime were reported from January to June..........

Petya ransomware cyberattack: CERT-In issues advisory

(Hindu.com,India) - June 28, 2017

.....The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) on Wednesday issued an advisory about Petya or Petrwrap - the latest in the series of ransomware attacks affecting computer systems across the world.........

• "Fireball" Malware Can Steal User Data, Warns CERT-In

(ndtv.com) - June 08, 2017

....Cyber-security sleuths have alerted Internet users against the destructive activity of a browser-attacking virus- "Fireball"- that steals sensitive user data and manipulates regular surfing activity......

• No report yet of global cryptocurrency attack in India: CERT-In

(bgr.in) - May 19, 2017

....Allaying fears that after "WannaCrypt" ransomware, India will be targeted by a cryptocurrency malware attack that quietly but swiftly generates digital cash from machines it has infected, the country; s cyber security unit said India is safe from the "Adylkuzz" malware.......

• Global cyber attack isn't over yet, your phone could be ransomware's next target

(economictimes.indiatimes.com) - May 18, 2017

.....India cannot afford to lower its guard against the global ransomware attack as the world has not seen the last of the virus yet, the head of the country's cybersecurity agency warned

• Prevention of WannaCry Ransomware Threat - Session by CERT-In

(youtube.com) - May 15, 2017

Prevention of WannaCry Ransomware Threat - Session by CERT-In

WannaCry Ransomware Cyber-Attacks: MeitY Says Activated "Response Mechanism" (NDTV.com) - May 15, 2017

...The government on Sunday said it has activated a "preparedness and response mechanism" to prevent any major cyber attack from a new ransomware - "Wannacry" - which has infected computer systems around the world.......

• Follow CERT-In instructions on WannaCry attack: RBI to banks

(Times of India) - May 15, 2017

(NDTV.com) - February 21, 2017

......At a time when cyber-attacks are increasing by day, the government through its Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-in) on Tuesday launched Cyber Swachhta Kendra - a new desktop and mobile security solution for a secure cyber space in the country.....

• <u>India, US Sign Agreement on Cyber-Security Cooperation</u>

(NDTV.com) - January 12, 2017

..... India and the US have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on cooperation in the field of cyber-security, an official statement said in New Delhi on Wednesday......

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