

XSS_on_education.rajasthan.gov.in

Reflected Cross Site Scripting on education.rajasthan.gov.in:

Reflected XSS on <https://education.rajasthan.gov.in/content/raj/education/jhalawar-hospital---medical-college--jhalawar/en/search-results.html?q=> endpoint which allows an attacker to inject browser executable code with single HTTP response. When a web application is vulnerable to this type of attack, it will pass unvalidated input sent through requests back to the client.

Summary:

The <https://education.rajasthan.gov.in/content/raj/education/jhalawar-hospital---medical-college--jhalawar/en/search-results.html?q=> endpoint takes any query string and if the string contains any JavaScript code it will execute it. It is possible to inject arbitrary JavaScript into the website's search bar.

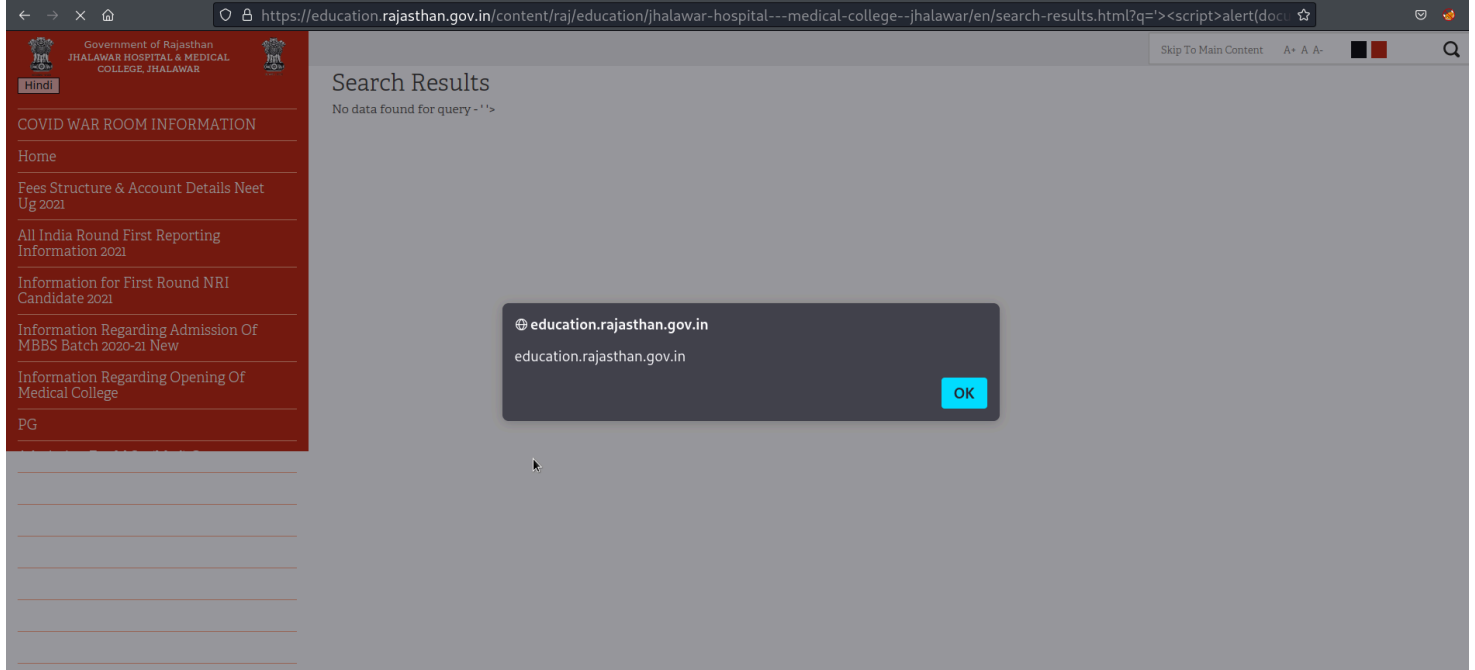
Steps To Reproduce:

1. Go to this endpoint: <https://education.rajasthan.gov.in/content/raj/education/jhalawar-hospital---medical-college--jhalawar/en/search-results.html?q=>
2. Go to the search bar in the top right corner.
3. To execute any script we need to add `'>` before the actual script. So the payload should look like this : `'><script>alert(document.domain)</script>`.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://education.rajasthan.gov.in/content/raj/education/jhalawar-hospital---medical-college--jhalawar/en/search-results.html?q=#>. The search bar in the top right corner contains the payload `'><script>alert(document.domain)</script>`. The page displays search results for the query. The left sidebar contains navigation links and contact information for Jhalawar Hospital & Medical College. The main content area shows a table of search results.

S.no	Title	Path	Last Modified Date
1	History Classes Of This Batch Started From 5th August.	/content/raj/education/jhalawar-hospital---medical-college--jhalawar/en/campus0/history.html	Jun 9, 2017
2	Campus	/content/raj/education/jhalawar-hospital---medical-college--jhalawar/en/campus0.html	Jun 9, 2017
3	Sports Activities	/content/raj/education/jhalawar-hospital---medical-college--jhalawar/en/college/sports-activities.html	Jun 18, 2018
4	Social Activities Students Were Felicitated For Their Participation.	/content/raj/education/jhalawar-hospital---medical-college--jhalawar/en/college/sports-activities.html	Sep 22, 2016

4. Paste the payload into the search bar and you will get a pop up/alert.



Impact:

- Arbitrary requests - An attacker can use XSS to send requests that appear to be from the victim to the web server.
- Malware download - XSS can prompt the user to download malware. Since the prompt looks like a legitimate request from the site, the user may be more likely to trust the request and actually install the malware.
- Defacement - attacker can deface the website using JavaScript code.

Mitigation:

- User input should be HTML-encoded at any point where it is copied into application responses. All HTML metacharacters, including < > " ' and =, should be replaced with the corresponding HTML entities (< > etc).