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## Task – 8

### Nessus Scanning Report :-

#### **Vulnerability Name :-**

SSH Weak Key Exchange Algorithms Enabled

#### **CWE (Common weakness enumeration) :-**

CWE-326: Inadequate Encryption Strength

#### **OWASP (open worldwide application security project) :-**

Use Strong Encryption Algorithms:

Secure Key Management:

Secure Transport Layer:

Data Classification:

Secure Defaults:

Third-Party Libraries:

#### **Description :-**

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This includes:

diffie-hellman-group-exchange-sha1

diffie-hellman-group1-sha1

gss-gex-sha1-\*

gss-group1-sha1-\*

gss-group14-sha1-\*

rsa1024-sha1

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### **Business Impact :-**

Data Breaches and Unauthorized Access

Loss of Confidential Information

Financial Loss

Operational Disruption

Reputation Damage

Regulatory Non-Compliance

Loss of Competitive Advantage

Long-Term Repercussions

Resource Drain

Customer and Employee Trust

**Affected URL :-** <https://vitap.ac.in/>

POC (Proof of Concept) :-

My Scans

All Scans

Trash

Policies

Plugin Rules

Terrascan

Tenable News

Tenable Nessus Expands Attack Surface Coverage wit...

Read More

vit / SSH (Multiple Issues)

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| Sev  | CVSS  | VPR | Name                                 | Family | Count |  |  |
|------|-------|-----|--------------------------------------|--------|-------|--|--|
| LOW  | 3.7   |     | SSH Weak Key Exchange Algorithms ... | Misc.  | 1     |  |  |
| LOW  | 2.6 * | 2.5 | SSH Server CBC Mode Ciphers Enabl... | Misc.  | 1     |  |  |
| INFO |       |     | SSH Algorithms and Languages Sup...  | Misc.  | 1     |  |  |
| INFO |       |     | SSH SHA-1 HMAC Algorithms Enabled    | Misc.  | 1     |  |  |

Scan Details

Policy: Basic Network Scan  
Status: Completed  
Severity Base: CVSS v3.0  
Scanner: Local Scanner  
Start: Today at 11:18 AM  
End: Today at 11:41 AM  
Elapsed: 23 minutes

Vulnerabilities

Critical

High

Medium

Low

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Solution

Contact the vendor or consult product documentation to disable the weak algorithms.

See Also

<http://www.nessus.org/u/b02d91cd>

Plugin Details

Severity: Low  
ID: 153953  
Version: 1.2  
Type: remote  
Family: Misc.  
Published: October 13, 2021  
Modified: October 13, 2021

Risk Information

Risk Factor: Low  
**CVSS v3.0 Base Score 3.7**  
CVSS v3.0 Vector: CVSS:3.0/AV:N/AC:H/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:N/A:N  
CVSS v2.0 Base Score: 2.6  
CVSS v2.0 Vector: CVSS2#AV:N/AC:H/Au:N/CP:I/N/A:N

## Remediation :-

Identify Weak Algorithms

Update SSH Software

Configuration Settings

Preferred Algorithms

Key Lengths

Host Key Algorithms

Testing and Validation

Logging and Monitoring

Documentation and Training

Regular Updates

Compliance Checks

Consider SSH Hardening Guides