# **Pallav Avatarit**

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#### **PROFILE**

As a dedicated Cyber Security Professional, I bring valuable experience in data security, network configuration and security, OT/IT security, incident response, and threat mitigation. I currently work as a Cyber Security Project Manager at Cyber Waves BV, Netherlands, and hold a full-time master's degree in Cyber Security from the University of Birmingham, United Kingdom. I pride myself on strong communication skills, exceptional attention to detail, and adaptability in dynamic situations. My dedication to continuous learning and staying up-to-date with industry trends allows me to offer clients innovative security solutions. With excellent time management and organisation skills, I efficiently manage project timelines and deliverables while providing exceptional customer service. My commitment to professionalism and attention to detail ensures clients' security needs are met to the highest standards

#### **KEY SKILLS**

- Incident Response
- Network Security
- Penetration Testing
- Digital Forensics
- Web Application Security
- Email and Mobile Security
- Vulnerability and Threat Management
- Cloud Security

- Adaptability
- Time Management
- Communication Skills
- Learning Desire

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Security Frameworks: NIST, ISO 27001, IMO, SANS CIS, MITRE ATT&CK, Unified Kill Chain

Security Concepts: OWASP Top 10, SANS Top 25, Privilege Escalation, DevSecOps, Endpoint Detection and Response Security Tools: Wireshark, Metasploit, Burp Suite, Nmap, IDA Pro, Nessus, Snort, Autopsy, Sysmon, Azure Active Directory

Languages: C/C++, Python, Java, PowerShell, MySQL

SIEM Tools: Splunk, IoT Defender, Microsoft Azure Sentinel, IBM QRadar

**Cloud Computing:** AWS, Azure

Technologies: Docker, Kubernetes, Git, YARA, Cisco Talos Intelligence, Identity and Access Management (IAM)

Operating Systems: Kali Linux, Windows, UNIX, MacOS

Other: Office 365 (Word, PowerPoint, Excel), Firewall, VPN, IPS/IDS, Anti-Virus, OSI Model, TCP/IP Model, Purdue Model

## **EXPERIENCE**

## Spin-

Cyber Security Project Manager Cyber Waves BV – Amsterdam, Netherlands 02/2023 - Present

- Designed and optimised the organisation's network architecture, enhancing performance and security outcomes, leading to increased productivity and reduced downtime
- Collaborated with stakeholders on cyber security matters, offering informed recommendations for continuous improvement and fostering a culture of security awareness
- Established network infrastructure with Fortinet firewalls, Cisco routers/switches, and Nord VPN integration, ensuring secure and reliable connectivity for employees
- Utilised Wireshark for PCAP file analysis to identify network assets, streamlining resource management and improving overall network visibility
- Worked with SIEM solutions such as Microsoft Defender for IoT for efficient network alerting and administration, reducing response time to security incidents
- Strengthened network defence with web/email filtering, traffic analysis, log analysis, anti-malware, access control, and encryption, mitigating risks and minimising potential breaches
- Conducted network and application performance monitoring to detect irregular activities, enabling proactive threat mitigation and minimising potential damage
- Investigated security alerts and spearheaded incident response initiatives, enabling faster containment and reducing the impact of breaches
- Developed vulnerability management systems for on-premises and cloud assets, ensuring comprehensive protection and minimising the risk of cyberattacks
- Supervised identity access management to safeguard against privilege escalation, maintaining system integrity and preventing unauthorised access to sensitive data
- Established automated patch management systems for timely application updates, reducing system vulnerabilities and enhancing overall security
- Led the recruitment of Cyber Security Interns, fostering a talented workforce to reinforce the organisation's security posture and enhancing its ability to adapt to evolving cyber threats



#### University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

09/2021 - 09/2022

M.Sc. in Cyber Security (Graduated with 60%)

- Key Modules: Cryptography and Network Security, Advanced Networking, Digital Forensics, Malware Analysis, Penetration Testing, Secure Software and Hardware
- **Dissertation:** Conducted a detailed analysis of kernel-based anti-cheat systems in online video games, gaining insights into the potential vulnerabilities and security measures in gaming industry
- Projects:
  - Ransomware Analysis: Applied Reverse Engineering techniques to recover files affected by ransomware, enhancing understanding of malware functionality and mitigation strategies
  - Web Hacking: Performed SQL Injection and XSS attack on a vulnerable website, demonstrating the importance of secure coding practices
  - Binary Analysis/Game Hacking: Designed cheats for CS- GO game, furthering understanding of vulnerabilities and exploitation methods mainly penetration testing and malware analysis



## 🧗 Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, India

07/2017 - 05/2021

B.Tech. in Information Technology (Graduated with First-Class (8.12 CGPA))

- Key Modules: Software Engineering, Data Structure and Algorithm, Database Management System, Computer Architecture, Information Security, Operating Systems
- Major Project: Designed a full-fledged third-person 3D game named "Simple Shooter" using advanced concepts of Unreal Engine and C++, showcasing software development and problem-solving skills

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**



Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA): Cyber Security Fundamentals – Microsoft



Leadership Development Experience - AIESEC in Egypt

#### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS**

## Capture the Flag, TryHackMe

09/2022 - Present

 Gained hands-on experience in offensive and defensive security through regular participation in CTF challenges, sharpening problem-solving and technical skills in a competitive environment

## Head of Photography, Qutopia - The Quizzing Society of KIIT

06/2017 - 03/2021

Organised UDGHOSH – East India's largest open-level quiz, coordinating a team to manage an event with approximately one
thousand participants from across the country for two consecutive years

#### Leadership and Organisational Role, AIESEC

12/2019 - 01/2020

Led a cultural exchange program in AIESEC, the world's largest non-profit youth organisation, demonstrating strong leadership
and project management skills

## Team Head, International Press, KIIT Model United Nation

09/2018 - 10/2018

 Led a team of 10 journalists to capture events throughout the Model United Nations, honing leadership and event management skills

#### **LANGUAGES**

## **English**

• Full Professional Proficiency (C2 Level)

### Hindi

Native or Bilingual Proficiency

### Maithili

Native or Bilingual Proficiency

#### **Spanish**

• Elementary Proficiency