

# Mohammed Tauseef Ahmed

Jr Penetration Tester Jan 2025 - Present

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## Profile Summary

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An entry-level offensive security professional with hands-on experience in penetration testing and vulnerability assessment. Completed 100+ TryHackMe labs (Junior Penetration Testing and Web Fundamentals paths). Built a dedicated penetration testing lab (Kali Linux, Metasploitable, DVWA, OWASP Juice Shop) to practice real-world attack scenarios. Certified eJPT, demonstrating applied knowledge of reconnaissance, exploitation and post-exploitation. Active CTF participant with proven problem-solving skills under time constraints. Seeking a Junior Penetration Tester role with opportunities to grow into advanced offensive security and red team engagements.

## Education

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### B.Tech in CSE (AI & ML)

CMR College of Engineering and Technology

2021–2025

## Certifications

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- eJPT (INE - eLearnSecurity Junior Penetration Tester) Oct 2025
- Google Cybersecurity Certificate (V2) Mar 2025

## Experience

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### Cybersecurity Labs (Self-Directed)

Jan 2025–Present

- Built a local Pen-testing lab using Kali, Metasploitable, DVWA and OWASP Juice Shop to practice exploit and payload development.
- Completed 100+ TryHackMe rooms, including Junior Penetration Tester and Web Fundamentals learning paths, covering reconnaissance, vulnerability assessment, exploitation and reporting.
- Earned eJPT (eLearnSecurity Junior Penetration Tester) certification, demonstrating hands-on proficiency in real-world pentest workflows.
- Active Capture the Flag (CTF) competitor; solved challenges across web exploitation, binary analysis, cryptography, and forensics under time constraints.

## Projects

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### LoMar: A Local Defense Against Poisoning Attacks on Federated Learning

Presented at ICRETM'25

- Designed a defense mechanism to detect and filter poisoned model updates in Federated Learning systems.
- Utilized Kernel Density Estimation on CNN feature embeddings for anomaly detection, with adaptive thresholding.
- Enhanced robustness against label-flipping and stealth poisoning attacks, improved accuracy from 90.1% to 97.0%.

### TryHackMe Labs & Capture The Flag (CTF) Challenges

- Completed 100+ TryHackMe rooms; mastering reconnaissance, enumeration, exploitation and post-exploitation.
- Focused on Jr Penetration Tester and Web Fundamentals learning paths to align with real-world techniques.
- Ranked among top 4% of TryHackMe users.
- Regularly participate in CTF competitions, solving challenges in web exploitation, privilege escalation, binary exploitation and cryptography.

## Technical Skills

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- **Languages:** C++, Python, Bash
- **Security Tools:** Nmap, Nessus, Metasploit, Hydra, GoBuster, Burp Suite, Wireshark, John-the-Ripper
- **Platforms:** Linux (Kali & Parrot), Windows
- **Frameworks:** OWASP Top 10, MITRE ATT&CK
- **Web/Database:** HTML/JS, SQL

## Extracurriculars

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**Goalkeeper – College Football Team** Exhibited leadership, discipline, and focus under pressure in tournaments.