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Dated: 20.05.2022

Sub: Cyber Security Directions and FAQs issued by CERT-In

Dear Sir,

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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 as per provisions of section 70B of the Information Technology Act, 2000. CERT-In continuously analyses cyber threats, handles cyber incidents and regularly issues advisories for protection of data/information and ICT infrastructure.

In order to augment and strengthen the cyber security as well as to enable Open, Safe & Trusted and Accountable Internet in the country, CERT-In has issued Cyber Security 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 on 28.04.2022. These directions are issued to service providers, intermediaries, data centres, body corporate and government organizations and cover aspects related to synchronization of ICT system clocks, reporting of cyber incidents to CERT-In, types of cyber incidents to be reported, maintaining logs of ICT system among others. The directions will become effective on 27.06.2022.

In this connection Hon'ble Minister of State for Electronics & Information Technology & Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar released a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document on 18.05.2022. These FAQs have been prepared in response to general queries received by CERT-In on the Cyber Security Directions and explains the nuances of the directions in a simple and easily understandable manner towards operationalization of these directions.


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The Cyber Security Directions and the FAQs released by CERT-In are enclosed for perusal and for issuing necessary directions to concerned officers for compliance.

The Cyber Security Directions and FAQs are also available on website of CERT-In at <https://www.cert-in.org.in/Directions70B.jsp>

With regards,


(Dr. Sanjay Bahl)

To,

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Department of Higher Education
Ministry of Education

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Subject: Directions under sub-section (6) of section 70B of the Information Technology Act, 2000 relating to information security practices, procedure, prevention, response and reporting of cyber incidents for Safe & Trusted Internet.

Whereas, the Central Government in terms of the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 70B of Information Technology (IT) Act, 2000 (IT Act, 2000) has appointed “Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In)” vide notification dated 27th October 2009 published in the official Gazette and as per provisions of sub-section (4) of section 70B of IT Act, 2000 The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team shall serve as the national agency for performing the following functions in the area of cyber security:-

- a) collection, analysis and dissemination of information on cyber incidents;
- b) forecast and alerts of cyber security incidents;
- c) emergency measures for handling cyber security incidents;
- d) coordination of cyber incidents response activities;
- e) issue guidelines, advisories, vulnerability notes and whitepapers relating to information security practices, procedures, prevention, response and reporting of cyber incidents;
- f) such other functions relating to cyber security as may be prescribed.

And whereas, “The Information Technology (The Indian Computer Emergency Response Team and Manner of performing functions and duties) Rules, 2013” were notified and published vide notification dated 16.01.2014 by the Central Government in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (zf) of sub-section (2) of section 87 read with sub-section (5) of section 70B of the IT Act, 2000.