LIBRARY & INFORMATION SERVICES DIVISION
National Informatics Centre
Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
A-Block CGO Complex Lodhi Road New Delhi

NEWS CLIPPINGS   **N0. 100**   **Date: August 09, 2018**

News Id . C – for CDAC. **CS- for Cyber Security in India**. M – for MEITy. N – for NIC. O – for Other ICT News

C1.   Govt re-skilling IT talent in data analytics space

Daily News & Analysis- Aug 09, 2018
*The **Centre for Development of Advanced Computing** (CDAC), under ministry of electronics and IT, has started conducting post graduate courses in big data ...*

CS1.   FB data breach: CBI probing Cambridge Analytica, GSR

Hindu BusinessLine. Aug 09, 2018
New Delhi, August 8
The CBI has initiated a preliminary enquiry against Cambridge Analytica and Global Science Research for allegedly harvesting the personal data of Indians illegally from Facebook, officials said on Wednesday.

CS2.   Sebi to explore ways to tackle cyber security breaches

Times of India. Aug 08, 2018.
New Delhi: Markets regulator Sebi will explore new initiatives to tackle the challenge posed by cyber security breaches happening globally as it gears up to deploy data analytics and new-age technologies for the marketplace while following necessary data privacy requirements, its chairman Ajay Tyagi has said.

CS3.   Self-verification to ensure data integrity

Business Standard. Aug 09, 2018
The hash function, used for digital signature, could help ensure data integrity. But it's only about identification, not correction. Last October, a huge industrial scandal engulfing Kobe Steel Ltd flashed as Japan's third-biggest steelmaker said its staff falsified data about the strength and durability of some aluminum and copper products used in planes, trains and potentially a space rocket. In fact, Kobe Steel's admission renews concerns about the integrity of Japanese manufacturers.

CS4.   Insurance companies plan to use blockchain to share customers' medical data

Business Standard. Aug 08, 2018
Each player has to know whether particular claims have been received and paid by other companies, and if the customer has been flagged for fraud or violations before. A 19-member consortium of life insurance companies in India is looking at using blockchain technology to share customers' medical records amongst each other — securely and with the consent of customers. There is also a plan to employ the technology to bring in effective fraud management.

CS5. Truth fears no trolls: Nothing was hacked and no harm done because I gave out my Aadhaar number. There is a concerted effort to discredit Aadhaar.

Indian Express. Aug 09, 2018

The Twitterati have had a long run since I responded to a challenge to reveal my Aadhaar number. It was a challenge I could not have declined without accepting that Aadhaar is vulnerable to attacks. The social media, television and print media have had time to weigh in with their perceptions. It's time to take stock of what really happened last week.

CS6. New genre of artificial intelligence programs take computer hacking to another level

Economic Times. Aug 06, 2018

New genre of AI-driven programs can be trained to stay dormant until they reach a very specific target, making them exceptionally hard to stop.

CS7. Messages luring people with fake promises of IT refunds prowling, alert issued

Outlook India-Aug 08, 2018

New Delhi, Aug 8 The country's premier cyber security agency - CERT-In - has cautioned against a malicious 'SMShing' fraud where fake messages are being sent to people in the name of the Income Tax Department saying their refunds have been approved, with an aim to steal the recipient's vital personal details and put them on the dark net "for sale".

CS8. Israel firm discovers WhatsApp flaw

The Telegraph India-Aug 08, 2018

*San Francisco: An Israeli **cybersecurity** company said it had discovered a flaw ... In **India**, false rumours about child kidnappers circulating through WhatsApp led ...*

M1. App block: Telegram, not FB or WhatsApp, 'under MeitY lens'

Hindu BusinessLine. Aug 09, 2018

New Delhi, August 8
The Ministry of Electronics and Information and Technology (MeitY) never named WhatsApp and Facebook in its letter to the Department of Telecom (DoT) with the purpose of asking the industry to explore if such apps can be blocked. According to government sources, it was intended only for Telegram app, which has some issues of self-destructing messages from its servers or the app.

M2. Direction to block over 11,000 websites issued since Jan 2016: Sinha

Economic Times. Aug 09, 2018
The telecom department has asked Internet service providers to block 11,045 websites or weblinks since January 2016 based on directions issued by the IT Ministry and various courts, Parliament was informed today.

M3. Govt re-skilling IT talent in data analytics space

Daily News & Analysis-Aug 09, 2018
*Seeing this as a big employment generator, the **ministry of electronics and IT** through various measures has started training/re-skilling people in related fields of big data and analytics.... Similarly, the National Institute of **Electronics and Information Technology** ...*

M4. Asked WhatsApp to outline steps taken to deal with fake news: Ahluwalia

Daily Excelsior- Aug 09, 2018

*The Ministry of **Electronics and Information technology** (MeitY) is also ... Minister of State for*
***Electronics and IT** SS Ahluwalia said in a written reply to Lok Sabha.*
[*Fake news crackdown: Asked WhatsApp to outline steps taken to deal with rumours, says SS Ahluwalia*](#)*.*
Financial Express.

M5.   IT Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad in Top 20 list for digital governance

YourStory.com- Aug 09, 2018
UK-based organisation Apolitical, which brings together governments and citizens, recently released its
list of 100 most influential leaders in the field of digital governance for 2018. Among those
*featured, India's **Minister for Electronics and IT**, and Law and Justice, **Ravi Shankar Prasad**, was in the*
list of Top 20 leaders.

N1.   ऑनलाइन हुआ ऑडिट महकमा, वेबसाइट लांच

दैनिक जागरण- Aug 08, 2018

*प्रदेश में ऑडिट महकमे का कामकाज बुधवार से ऑनलाइन हो गया। वित्त मंत्री प्रकाश पंत ने ऑडिट महकमे की वेबसाइट का लोकार्पण किया। इस अवसर पर अपर सचिव वित्त सविन बंसल, **एनआइसी** के उप महानिदेशक व राज्य समन्वयक अल्का मिश्रा, के नारायण, वीके तनेजा, वीके ...*

O1.   IIIT-H announces Blockchain course for IT professionals

Hindu BusinessLine. Aug 09, 2018

Hyderabad, August 8
After receiving good response for its Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning courses, the
International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT-H) and skilling company TalentSprint will offer an
Advanced Certificate Programme on Blockchain Technologies and Solutions.

O2.   TCS in talks with Infosys, Wipro to sell its automation software

Hindu BusinessLine. Aug 09, 2018

Mumbai, August 8
India's largest software exporter TCS has begun working with external organisations to sell its
automation software Ignio.

O3.   'Growing internet penetration, digital payment are unblocking a huge potential in Tier-II/ III markets'

Hindu BusinessLine. Aug 09, 2018

Mumbai: Booking.com, which had officially opened a local office in the country in 2012 following the
earlier listing of The Metropolitan Hotel & Spa, New Delhi, now has about 47,750 properties in the
country. The Nasdaq-listed travel aggregator, which started with just 4 employees, now employs 70.

O4.   Google, 91springboard to nurture women Entrepreneurs in India

Hindu BusinessLine. Aug 09, 2018

New Delhi:Entrepreneurship arm of Google, Google for Entrepreneurs has partnered 91springboard, a
startup in the co-working, space to nurture entrepreneurship ecosystem in India.

O5.   Govt may release second draft of e-commerce policy in a fortnight

Times of India. Aug 08, 2018.

New Delhi: The second draft of e-commerce policy incorporating inputs from stake-holders is expected to be placed in public domain in a fortnight, a senior official said today. "The Government wants the e commerce policy to be in place as soon as possible," the Joint Secretary in the Commerce and Industry Ministry, Sudhanshu Pandey, said at a roundtable organised by traders' body CAIT.