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C1. State to set up cyber varsity

The Hindu-18-Sep-2018

The Maharashtra Government has taken the first step towards setting up a varsity dedicated to mitigating cyber threats. It will train 3,000 professionals to fight online space attacks, internet crimes. In 2016, the State had even appointed a consortium of M/s C-DAC (Centre for Development of Advanced Computing) and Railtel Corporation of India for the Rs.

C2. SS Ahluwalia launches C-DAC Information Media Server (CIMS)

5 Dariya News-Sep 18, 2018

S.S. Ahluwalia, Hon 'ble Minister of State for Electronics and IT launches C-DAC Information Media Server (CIMS) for enhancing Good Governance. C-DAC Information Media Server is a dedicated computer appliance having specialized application software to provide audio and video on demand.

CS1. Indian gov't websites 'cryptojacked' to mine cryptos

CoinGeek. Sep 18, 2018

On Monday, the Economic Times reported that security researchers have identified “hundreds of Indian sites,” including that of the director of municipal administration of Andhra Pradesh (AP), Tirupati Municipal Corporation and Macherla municipality, that have been infected by a cryptojacking malware.

CS2. Nation state cyber attacks on rise, says Europol

Times of India-18-Sep-2018

THE HAGUE: Global ransomware attacks are increasingly linked to nation states, with the lines between politics and crime often blurring, Europe's police agency said on Tuesday. Europol also raised the alarm over the live streaming of child sex abuse, a growing part of what it called the "most disturbing aspect of cyber-crime."

CS3. Campus lessons on cyber safety

The Telegraph India-Sep 19, 2018

Jamshedpur: *To raise awareness on cyber crime and help children make potential use of the virtual world, Hill Top School along with social outfits Cyber Peace Foundation and Kalpavriksh Foundation organised a three-day workshop titled 'Cyber Peace Corps Workshop' on Tuesday. Cyber Peace Foundation president Vineet Kumar said the Union government had launched a portal **cybercrime.gov.in** where one can report cyber crime without ...*

CS4. What is the best solution to avoid SS7 intercepts?

Economic Times. Sep 19, 2018

Dual/Multi factor authentication is an essential method to add another layer of security for authenticating the identity where the user not only authenticates through the credentials (username/password) but also through a secret code.

CS5. Researchers find hints of Israeli spyware around globe

Economic Times. Sep 19, 2018

Researchers say an increasingly notorious brand of Israeli surveillance software is being used further afield than previously known, with possible infections detected around the globe

CS6. Cybersecurity firm: More Iran hacks as US sanctions loomed

Economic Times. Sep 19, 2018

An Iranian government-aligned group of hackers launched a major campaign targeting Mideast energy firms and others ahead of U.S.

CS7. Delhi University launches PG diploma in cyber security and law

Economic Times. Sep 18, 2018

For the first time, the University of Delhi has partnered with a private entity - Lucideus from the beginning to design and deliver a program.

CS8. Over 180 million Windows threats detected in Q2 2018, says Quick Heal

Financial Express / September 19, 2018

Global IT security firm Quick Heal Technologies on Wednesday said it detected more than 180 million threats on Windows devices of individual and enterprise users between April and June of this year.

M1. RBI wants IT ministry to make Google Pay store Indian data on local servers

Moneycontrol.com. Sep 18, 2018

*The Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) hand is being seen behind the Centre pulling up Google on the apex bank's recent directive to shift user data of its digital payments platform, Google Pay, on local servers. The banking regulator felt the technology giant could "use the information to its advantage" and has approached the Ministry of **Electronics and Information Technology** (MeitY) to push the company to fall in line.*

M2. RTOs to accept e-documents

The Telegraph India. Sep 18, 2018

Bhubaneswar: *The state transport department has some good news for vehicle owners - they will no longer need to carry driving licence, registration certificate and other documents in original. All you need is to download DigiLocker or mParivahan apps in your mobile phone for the officials to access the relevant document. The DigiLocker platform of the **ministry of electronics and information technology** and the mParivahan mobile app of the road transport and highways ...*

Now, DL, RC to be valid in e-form. Daily Pioneer. Sep 19, 2018

Now onwards one need not carry driving licence (DL) or registration certificate (RC) in case one has the Electronic License in DigiLocker or mParivahan.

M3. .bharat fails to take off in Modi government's India

ThePrint . Sep 18, 2018

New Delhi: *It was a big idea of the Modi government to help take the Internet beyond India's English speakers and realise the goal of 'Digital India'. But four years after it was launched in August 2014 to promote Indianised website domain names and make the Internet more inclusive, .bharat – pronounced dot-bharat – is struggling to take off. Representatives at Nixi, and the Secretary, (Electronics & Information Technology), at the Ministry of **Electronics and Information Technology** (MEITY), ...*

M4. The dark web and how police deal with it

The Indian Express. Sep 17, 2018

Use of the dark web brings in unique challenges for law enforcement agencies in India and raises questions on the loopholes in the laws in place to govern cybercrime in India... IT Act that currently deals

with cyber crime is at heart a code of e-commerce and comes under the Ministry of **Electronics and Information Technology**.

M5. India, resource-rich Kazakhstan to put in place IT partnership

Economic Times-17-Sep-2018

*During the visit, Askar Zhumagaliyev will hold a meeting with Minister of **Electronics & Information Technology** of India Ravi Shankar Prasad, management of ...*

M6. Government needs to find balance between data protection and security: Rishad Premji, Nasscom Chairman

Economic Times-Sep 19, 2018

*Separately, **Ravi Shankar Prasad**, IT minister, said the government is keen to promote India as a big hub for data analysis but will not tolerate any attempt by ...*

M7. India keen to be data hub but won't tolerate misuse: Ravi Shankar ...

Business Standard-Sep 19, 2018

*India keen to be data hub but won't tolerate misuse: **Ravi Shankar Prasad** ... the democratic process, IT and Law Minister **Ravi Shankar Prasad** said Tuesday.*

*India keen to be data analysis hub but won't tolerate data misuse: Ravi Shankar Prasad. **Times of India**
NEW DELHI: The government is keen to promote India as a big hub for data analysis but will not tolerate any attempt by companies to misuse data to influence the democratic process,*

M8. Amazon Web Services' VP seeks to discuss AI solutions with IT Minister

The Hindu BusinessLine-Sep 18, 2018

*... Vice-President Worldwide (public sector) Teresa Carlson has requested a meeting with the Minister of Electronics and IT (MeitY) **Ravi Shankar Prasad**.*

M9. Indian gov't websites 'cryptojacked' to mine cryptos

CoinGeek. Sep 18, 2018

*On Monday, the Economic Times [reported](#) that security researchers have identified “hundreds of Indian sites,” including that of the director of municipal administration of Andhra Pradesh (AP), Tirupati Municipal Corporation and Macherla municipality, that have been infected by a cryptojacking malware. In March, the official website of **Union Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad** was reportedly hacked and infected by the Coinhive malware.*

N1. Mobile App for locating nearest common service centres

The Hindu . Sep 17, 2018

*Collector Shilpa Prabhakar Satish on Monday launched a mobile App which will easily guide the public to the nearest common service centres if they have to submit online applications for availing a range of e-services from the government departments. The App 'CSC Nellai', prepared by **National Informatics Centre**, can be downloaded from Google Playstore to locate the common service centre ...*

N2. CSC, NIC play critical role in making "Digital India"

United News of India. Sep 17, 2018

*New Delhi: Institutions such as Common Services Centres (CSC) and **National Informatics Centres** have become a vital cog in the digitization of the country, Union Minister of Electronics and IT Ravi Shankar Prasad said on Monday ...*

N3. STF arrests 4 in ration scam

Times of India-18-Sep-2018

*The accused were arrested after officials from **National Informatics Centre** and the food and public distribution department observed thefts and the multiple ...*

*[Whistleblower Narrates How UP Officials Staged Aadhaar-Ration Scam](#). *The Quint*- Sep 19, 2018 The ration supply inspectors directed the whistleblower to use their login and passwords to enter the **National Informatics Centre** database to change Aadhaar ...*

N4. PDS rip-off: Store proprietor, two UIDAI staffers held

MTL News-Sep 18, 2018

*LUCKNOW: In a major breakthrough, Uttar Pradesh Special Task Force (UP STF) arrested three persons involved in (PDS) scam on Sunday. "In order to accelerate Aadhaar linking, **National Informatics Centre** (NIC) had created a window on the food and logistics department's website for updation of ...*

N5. National Conference on Agri for Rabi Campaign-2018 inaugurated

Northlines - September 19, 2018

*New Delhi: A two day National Conference On Agriculture For Rabi Campaign-2018 was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Shri Radha Mohan Singh at the National Agriculture Science Centre (NASC), Pusa Complex, ICAR, New Delhi today. Presentation on "Direct Benefit Transfer in Agriculture" by **Deputy Director General (National Informatics Centre)***

O1. Anil Ambani terms telecom business unviable, to exit fully

Indian Express. Sep 19, 2018

Indicating that his company would exit the sector and concentrate on realty business, Ambani said that saddled with a debt, RCom's priority is to resolve it.

O2. Framing policy, data privacy key challenges ahead of 5G rollout: Manoj Sinha

Economic Times. Sep 19, 2018

Telecom Minister Manoj Sinha said framing a relevant spectrum allocation policy, creating the right infrastructureNSE 0.00 % and formulating rules around its sharing coupled with related issues around data privacy are some key challenges facing the government as India readies to roll out ultra-high-speed fifth generation services.

O3. Microsoft-GitHub Acquisition to Get EU Antitrust Ruling by October 19

NDTV-17-Sep-2018

EU antitrust regulators will decide by October 19 whether to clear US software giant Microsoft's \$7.5 billion (roughly Rs. 54,300 crores) ...

O4. India surpasses US and Japan in automation, AI adoption, says study

Financial Times | September 18, 2018

Automation arrived long bak in India and the country is cnow driving Robotic Process Automation (RPA) and Artificial Intelligence (AI)-based technologies globally — even ahead of the US and Japan — a new study said on Tuesday.

O5. Machines will do more tasks than humans by 2025: World Economic Forum

Financial Express | September 17, 2018

Robots will handle 52 percent of current work tasks by 2025, almost twice as many as now, a World Economic Forum (WEF) study said Monday.