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Subject: Constitution of Coordination Committee for UT Ladakh under National Information Security Policy and Guidelines (NISPG)-reg

Reference: D.O No.22001/07/2023-CP dated 25.01.2024

Order No: 54- Home of 2024

Dated: 29.05.2024

Sanction is hereby accorded to the constitution of the Coordination Committee for UT Ladakh under National Information Security Policy and Guidelines comprising of the following:

| Sr. No | Designation | Remarks |
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| 1. | Advisor to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor | Chairperson |
| 2. | Administrative Secretary, Home Department | Member |
| 2. | Additional Director General of Police (Head of Police) | Member |
| 3. | Administrative Secretary, IT Department | Member |
| 4. | SSP, CID, UT Ladakh | Member |
| 5. | SO to ADGP (Head of Police) | Member Convenor |
| 6. | Representative from Home Department not below the rank of Under Secretary | Member |

The Committee may co-opt any other officer(s) as member(s) as deemed appropriate.

The Committee shall oversee and monitor the Cyber and Information Security in the UT Ladakh including the compliance of NISPG at regular intervals.

By Order of the Administration of UT of Ladakh.

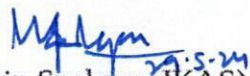
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(Dr. Pawan Kotwal, IAS)
Advisor to H'LG/
Administrative Secretary,
Home Department.

Copy to: All Committee Members, as above.

Copy also to the:

1. State Informatics Officer, NIC, UT Ladakh, for uploading on UT website.

2. OSD to Advisor to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, UT of Ladakh, for favor of information of the Advisor.


(Rigzin Spalgon, JKAS)
Additional Secretary.

चंद्राकर भारती, भा.प्र.से.

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Chandraker Bharti, IAS

Additional Secretary

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Government of India

Ministry of Home Affairs

North Block, New Delhi - 110001

D.O. NO.22001/07/2023-CP

Dated the 25th January, 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has been designated as the lead agency for the protection of the "Information" in Cyberspace. MHA is responsible for finalizing and issuing guidelines on the codification and classification of information and keeping it updated in the ever expanding Cyberspace. National Information Security Policy and Guidelines (NISPG) were formulated in 2014 and last revised in 2019 after broad consultation with all stakeholders to protect the information during its life cycle from creation, storage, processing, transmission and disposal.

2. A committee was constituted by MHA to suggest revisions in the extant National Information Security Policy and Guidelines (NISPG) keeping in view the technological innovations and ever increasing threat landscape. The committee has submitted its draft report and a copy of the same is being forwarded to you through E-mail. A meeting with all State Governments (SGs) and Union Territories (UTs) was conducted by MHA on 17.01.2024 to solicit their comments/ views on NISPG (Minutes attached). It was, inter-alia, observed that majority of the SGs/ UTs consider NISPG as a law and order/ crime issues. However, the objective of NISPG is to improve information security posture of the Government including the classified information. It not only helps in classifying the information but also elaborates baseline information security policy, concepts and best practices to protect all kinds of information.

3. I, therefore request you to take following actions on priority:

- To hold consultation with all the stakeholders and furnish comments, preferably within 15 days on the proposed revision in NISPG.
- Constitute a Coordination Committee under your chairpersonship having Secretary, Home Department, Secretary, Information Technology Department, DGP and other relevant Department for overseeing and monitoring the Cyber and Information Security in your State/UT including the compliance of NISPG at regular intervals.

Encl: As above

Regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Chandraker Bharti)

Chief Secretaries/ Administrators of all States/UTs

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Ministry of Home Affairs
Cyber and Information Security Division
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Hall No. 4, Near Gate No. 6,
North Block, New Delhi


Dated: 23rd January, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the Meeting held on 17.01.2024 to discuss the proposed revision/addition in the National Information Security Policy Guidelines (NISPG).

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith minutes of the meeting held under the chairpersonship of Additional Secretary (CIS) on 17.01.2024 at 12.00 Noon at North Block, New Delhi to discuss the revision of National Information Security Policy Guidelines (NISPG) for information and necessary action.

Encl: as above


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To:

1. Secretary, Department of Telecommunications, New Delhi.
2. Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat (R), New Delhi.
3. Director, Intelligence Bureau, New Delhi.
4. NCSC, NSCS, New Delhi.
5. Director General, NIC, New Delhi.
6. Director General, CERT-In, New Delhi.
7. Director General, NCIIPC, New Delhi.
8. Director General, DCyA, New Delhi.
9. Addl. Director General (CIRA) & Adviser (Cyber), New Delhi.
10. Chief Executive Officer, I4C, MHA, New Delhi.

Copy to: All Chief Secretaries of State Governments/Administrators of UTs.

Minutes of the meeting held on 17.01.2024 under the chairmanship of AS (CIS) with all stakeholders including State Governments/Union Territories regarding revision in NISPG.

A meeting was held under the chairmanship of AS (CIS) on 17.01.2024 in Room No. 12, North Block with all stakeholders including State Governments/Union Territories regarding revision in NISPG. State Governments/ UTs joined/ attended the meeting through VC. The list of participants may be seen at Annexure.

2. The chairman informed the background under which National Information Security Policy and Guidelines (NISPG) were framed by Ministry of Home Affairs. Under the Cyber Security Framework, 2013, MHA has been given the responsibility to ensure information security. During the recently held Chief Secretary's Conference in December, 2023 and DGsP/ IGsP Conference held in January, 2024, issue of cyber security was discussed at length and ensuring the same is the highest priority of the Government. Further stress need to be given on the security of the Data Centre and Network being used for transmission of information.
3. The representative of IB informed that the committee constituted by MHA for revision in the NISPG submitted its report based on the findings during security audits carried out by IB from time to time. He pointed out that information security should be considered as part of the department security and suggested that more circulation of the proposed guidelines would entail new ideas from different stakeholders to make it more effective and conducive.
4. The representative of NCIIPC informed that NISPG are baseline guidelines to address basic cyber hygiene to obviate possibility of any cyber attack. It is important to ensure proper cyber hygiene posture in all IT infrastructures.
5. The representative of CIRA informed that organizations have been maintaining their data at various portal and data centers. After the enactment of Digital Personal Data Protection Act (DPDP Act), both Central Government and State Governments will become Data Fiduciary under the Act and making them responsible for security of the Government as well as personal data held within their respective domain. In order to ensure data/ information security, all concerned need to scrupulously follow NISPG to address the need of information security.
6. The representative of NIC asked all the State Governments to share their experience of tackling data security for possible emulation of such practices by other entities also.
7. The representative of Defence Cyber Agency (DCyA) informed that guidelines must prescribe the concise frequency for undertaking mandatory cyber audit to ensure cyber hygiene and security of the ICT infrastructure. The NISPG document is very voluminous and need to be compressed for easy comprehensibility and must we made complementary with Cyber Security Policy.
8. The representative of DoT submitted that since NIC primarily responsible for ICT Infrastructure of the Government and its entities, it should owe the responsibility for implementation of NISPG.

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9. The representative of NSCS suggested that the NISPG should be made mandatory for implementation and grading as 'Restricted' makes its distribution difficult and therefore some parts can be made unclassified. Details encompassing organization specific information may be made restricted and kept as restricted under Volume.II. Encryption standards should be separate for LEAs and other entities.

10. The representatives of State Governments/UTs of Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Assam, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, UP, Chhattisgarh, Sikkim and Tripura informed that they will carryout multi stakeholder consultationfor effective implementation of NISPG and will submit their respective comments shortly.

11. JS (CIS) informed that MHA is considering to divide NISPG into four parts inter-alia dealing with issues pertaining to organization, CISOs, Employees and Appendices. NISPG was circulated to all State Governments/UTs for its adherence in 2019 and if any guidelines are being followed in their states, the same may be shared with MHA. He suggested that keeping in view increased threat to ICT infrastructure from quarters inimical to the growing stature of India in the world community, there is a need to keep ourself abreast of such requirements and take necessary steps to maintain cyber hygiene of our ICT infrastructure by following these guidelines. He suggested that top state administration should take lead in enforcement of these guidelines and review its implementation on regular basis.

12. The chair while concluding the discussions opined that after hearing the representatives of S.Gs/UTs, a strong need is felt to have a mechanism where implementation of these guidelines must be regularly reviewed at the top level of administration. It was emphasized that NISPG should not be viewed merely from Cyber Crime viewpoint. He informed that proposed guidelines would be shared with all S.Gs/UTs to solicit their comments within a fortnight before finalizing the same

13. After detailed deliberation, following action points emerged:-

MHA to write DO letters from AS to Chief Secretaries/Administrators of all the States/UTs regarding holding consultation with all stakeholders and furnishing comments within 15 days on the revised NISPG and constitute a Coordination Committee under the respective Chief Secretary/Advisor to Administrator with all concerned departments for overseeing and monitoring the compliance.

14. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair

List of participants

MHA

- 1 Shri Chandraker Bharti, Additional Secretary, CIS Division –In Chair
- 2 Shri Ashish Kumar, Joint Secretary, CIS Division
- 3 Shri Surya Kant Vashistha, Deputy Secretary(CPC)
- 4 Shri Mahendra Vikram Singh, Under Secretary (CPC)

I4C

- 5 Shri Tarun Uppal, Director

IB

- 6 Shri Yogesh Kumar Yadav, Joint Director

CERT-In

- 7 Shri Mohd. Akram Khan, Scientist 'E'

NIC

- 8 Shri Ashok Kumar Agarwal, Sr. Director
- 9 Shri Anil Kumar Jha, Sr. Director(IT)

Delhi Police

- 10 Shri Vijay Gahlawat, ACP

NCIIPC

- 11 Shri Uday Singh Meena, Additional Director

DCYA

- 12 Col. Sachin Saxena

CIRA

- 13 Shri Amit Sharma, Additional Director General

Cab Sec(R)

- 14 Shri Gaurav Kumar Tiwari, Director

DOT

- 15 Shri Jitender Prakash, Director

States/UTs participated through Video Conference(VC)