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Government of India
Ministry of Communications
Department of Telecommunications
Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road
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New Delhi, Dated the 15/11/2018

Subject: Installation of SSL certificates in the government websites

Kindly find enclosed herewith a copy of D.O. letter No. MoS(E&IT)/2018-1/45 dated 10.10.2018 from Hon'ble MoS, McaIT on the subject cited above for kind information/ necessary action please.

It is essential that all the Units/ Organizations under DoT shall install SSL (Secured Socket Layer) certificate on their website (<https://>) as well as take measures to configure it correctly and renew appropriately. This SSL based Website not only increases the Privacy and Security but at the same time a padlock in the address bar in the browser indicates that website is secure and increases trust of citizen's on government websites.

Enclosure: As Above

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श्री मनोज सिन्हा,

As you are aware in this digital world, the Government websites are the first interface for the Citizen to avail eGovernance services. Having an SSL certificate ensures that the sensitive data of your website's visitors will be transferred over a secure network and also assures that the visitors have reached the right website.

Without an SSL certificate, many browsers may label the website as unsafe and insecure to access.



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Despite this importance of SSL, many websites either do not have certificates or have wrongly configured the certificates. It is also seen at times that the SSL certificate has not been renewed.

A significant benefit of SSL certificate is the fact that it will help the department to gain citizen's trust on the government websites.

The security padlock in the address bar of the browser will indicate that the connection is secure and will show your website's visitors that you take their privacy and security seriously. This key step will increase citizen's trust on government websites and encourage them to use eGovernance services which will give boost to Digital India.

I would request you to instruct your department's designated CISO (Chief Information Security Officer) to ensure that SSL certificates have been installed in all the government websites under them. Also, take measures to ensure that it is configured correctly and is renewed appropriately.

For any further query or assistance the CISO may contact the following Email ID:
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With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

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