



CERT-IN PARTICIPATED IN APCERT CYBER DRILL ON “DATA BREACH VIA MALWARE ON IOT”

The Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Team (APCERT) today has successfully completed its annual drill on 7th March 2018 to test the response capability of leading Computer Security Incident Response Teams (CSIRT) from the Asia Pacific economies. The theme of the APCERT drill 2018 was “Data Breach via Malware on IoT”. The scenario, for this year, simulated an attack on the medical sector where initial compromise followed exfiltration of data and infection of IoT devices within the medical sector. For the first time, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) has contributed during Drill Scenario Planning and inject development for APCERT Drill 2018. CERT-In has also served as a member of Exercise Control (EXCON) operations during the Drill for coordinating the injects.

CERT-In participated in the APCERT drill 2018 for the consecutive twelfth year and was able to complete each task successfully within designated time.

Throughout the exercise, the participating teams activated and tested their incident handling arrangements. This drill included the need to interact both locally and internationally, with CSIRTs/CERTs and victim organisations, for the coordinated suspension of malicious infrastructure, analysis of malicious code, as well as notification and assistance to affected entities. This incident response exercise, which was coordinated across many economies, reflects the collaboration amongst the economies and validates the enhanced communication protocols, technical capabilities and quality of incident responses that APCERT fosters in assuring Internet security and safety.

27 CSIRT teams from 20 economies (Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, People's Republic of China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Macao, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam) of the APCERT participated in the drill. From the external parties, CSIRT teams from 5 economies (Egypt, Morocco, Nigeria, Oman, and Pakistan) of the OIC-CERT participated.

APCERT Drill 2018 Press Release can be seen at

: <https://www.apcert.org/documents/pdf/APCERTDrill2018PressRelease.pdf>