

## **Press Release**

### **Workshop on Cyber Security - Cyber Crisis Table Top Exercise held at ATI, Gangtok**

**Venue:** Administrative Training Institute (ATI) Gangtok

**Date:** 23.06.2018

A half day workshop on **Cyber Security - Cyber Crisis Table Top Exercise** was conducted by the Dept. of Information Technology, Govt. of Sikkim in collaboration with Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) at ATI, Gangtok.

CERT-In which is a statutory organization under the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Govt. of India is dedicated to raise security awareness among Indian cyber community and to provide technical assistance and advice to help recover from cyber security incidents. A team from CERT-In New Delhi, Mr. Ashutosh Bahuguna, Scientist and Mr. Ravi Kumar Sharma, Scientist conducted the said workshop.

The workshop which began with a welcome address by Mr. Rajendra Chettri, Additional Director, Dept. of Information Technology, Govt. of Sikkim was attended by about 80 officers and staff from multiple Departments of the Govt. of Sikkim. Mr. T. Samdup, Joint Director, Dept. of Information Technology, Govt. of Sikkim was also present on the occasion. Mr. Chettri talked about the importance and relevance of the workshop, as being in an increasingly networked world make us more prone to hacking and other such forms of cyber attacks.

The CERT-In team gave an overview of Cyber Security which included basic dos and don'ts for all cyber users. This was followed by a more extensive session on the same topic and the session concluded with a hands-on exercise whereby all the attendees were divided into multiple groups. Some hypothetical situations of cyber threat was presented by the CERT-In team and each group was asked to lay out the strategy and plan to overcome such threat as per their knowledge and understanding. The different plans and strategies were then discussed in more detail so as to give the attendees an idea of what could be the best course of action if such cyber attacks were to occur in their respective Departments.

The workshop concluded with a Vote of Thanks which was delivered by Mr. Abhijit Nandy, Senior Consultant to the Dept. of Information Technology, Govt. of Sikkim.

