

In this world of digitalization where the usage of various websites, mobile applications, social media platforms has not only connected us with each other and has eased in provision of various services, but has also enhanced the risk of cyber security which not only can cause financial loss but also reputational and other losses. The responsibility of ensuring cyber security is not only limited to people from technical background, but also on every individual who uses various digital platform and applications/ websites.

Few of the aspects which we all can look into on cyber security and related safety mechanism and habits are as follows:

1. Best Practices for Cyber Security:

- a. Never leave your device unattended, always keep it locked when not using
- b. Always cross check the URL's when clicking on it. (check for the word "http")
- c. Keep your device secure with strong passwords and change it on a regular basis
- d. Don't click on any doubtful/ suspicious links
- e. Keep multiple factor authentications for logins
- f. Keep your devices updates against viruses, malware or other threats
- g. Keep yourself informed/ updated on various cyber threats.

2. Identifying Cyber Attacks and Frauds:

- a. **Ransomware:** Cybercriminals load harmful files within email attachments, fake websites, which when clicked gets installed in the system and causing system/ data breach.
- b. **Social Media frauds:** fake website links, social media accounts and URL's are provided to defraud people of money and leak customer data.
- c. **Social Engineering:** Fake links for donating money, lucrative offers which looks unreal.

BE SECURE WHEN ONLINE