

Metropolitan Clearing Corporation of India Limited

Department: Information Technology	Segment: All
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<u>Subject</u>: <u>Cyber Security Advisory w.r.t. Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attacks on</u> systems of intermediaries

To All Members,

This is in continuation with the various circulars issued to all the Clearing Members of the Clearing Corporations regarding systems to be put in place for creating a robust cyber security and cyber resilience framework in order to counter various types of cyber-attacks.

Financial services are a critical information infrastructure and it has been observed that it is one of the primary targets of cyber-attacks especially DoS / DDoS attacks.

In order to ensure continuous availability of services and to prevent cyber-attacks, members are requested to ensure the following:

- Take review of the cyber security safeguards put in place, and any gaps found should be fixed on priority.
- Adequate safety and security measures (like intrusion detection/prevention system, anti-virus, firewall, etc.) are in place to protect the critical data, infrastructure, and applications.
- Review the communication links provisioned for trading, communications and other services exposed to the customers and partners on the internet / private networks.
 Ensure that all the internet links and services are adequately protected from cyberattacks including DoS / DDoS attacks.
- Continuously monitor the applications and services for their availability and response time.
- Any cybersecurity incident is promptly reported to the relevant authorities.

All Members are requested to continue to adhere to the Cyber Security guidelines / advisories issued by SEBI, Exchange and Clearing Corporation in the past and follow the best industry practices and comply with other guidelines issued by CERT-In and NCIIPC from time to time.

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