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GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
INFORMATION SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT

Karachi, Dated: 26th August, 2024

To,

1. The Chairman, Enquires, Anti-Corruption, Establishment of Sindh, Karachi.
2. The Chairman Sindh HEC Karachi.
3. The Senior Member Board of Revenue (BOR)Sindh, Karachi.
4. The Additional Chief Secretary, Govt of Sindh _____
5. The Principal Secretary to Governor Sindh, Governor Secretariat Karachi.
6. The Principal Secretary to Chief Minister Sindh, Chief Minister Secretariat, Karachi.
7. The Administrative Secretary, Government of Sindh (ALL). _____
8. The Provincial Ombudsman, Sindh.
9. The Inspector General of Police Sindh, Karachi
10. The Divisional Commissioner (All) in Sindh _____.
11. The Deputy Commissioner, District _____

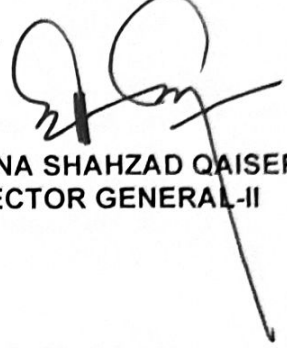
Subject: - **INVITATION TO EXPERIENCE DIGITAL PAKISTAN CYBERSECURITY HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS AND HACKATHON 2024.**

In reference to the subject cited above a formal invitation has been sent from National Computer Emergency Response Team GoP Dated: 19th August 2024 for all Government of Sindh Departments to participate in the "Digital Pakistan Cybersecurity Hands-on Workshops and Hackathon 2024," organized by the National CERT (nCERT) in collaboration with Ignite and the Ministry of IT & Telecom.

- a) As part of this initiative, nCERT and Ignite are organizing a comprehensive training program and Cybersecurity Capture. The Flag (CTF) competition under the Digital Pakistan Cybersecurity Hackathon 2024. Our goal is to equip organizations with trained and knowledgeable individuals who possess the necessary skills to secure P their infrastructure and adapt to evolving threats and technologies. Therefore, investing in awareness, education, and training in digital security and information technology fields is vital for a knowledge-based economy's sustainable growth and security.
 - b) For the Digital Pakistan Cybersecurity Hands-on Workshops and Hackathon 2024, the following initiatives are planned:
 - i. Based on lessons learned from previous hackathons, the National CERT and Ignite have scheduled 5 days of hands-on workshops in 16 major cities across Pakistan, aiming to train 3,000 participants, open for government officials as well. A special session for government officials is also scheduled for the last week of October 2024 in Islamabad. We highly encourage participation in this session as well.
 - ii. This year in addition to the "Red Team Hackathon", we are also introducing the "Blue Team Hackathon", a separate competition on the second day at each location. This competition is designed to engage industry teams from banks, telecom companies, government organizations, hospitals, universities, and cyber security enthusiasts.
2. It has been requested that this invitation be extended to all departments and organizations, under the ambit of Information, Science & Technology Department Government of Sindh, allowing them to take advantage of this valuable opportunity to enhance their cybersecurity capabilities.
3. Your esteemed organization's participation will contribute significantly to enhancing the cybersecurity posture within the Sindh province given the fact that Information, Science & Technology Department Government of Sindh has been designated as the provincial CERT of Sindh. **To ensure the involvement, please nominate qualified IT individuals/teams**

by visiting <https://www.cyberhackathon.pk/> and/or send an email to info@cyberhackathon.pk and note that the deadline for hackathon registration is September 30, 2024.

4. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.



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A copy is forwarded for information and necessary action to: -

1. AS(Staff) to Chief Minister Sindh, Karachi.
2. The Assistant Secretary (NTISB), Cabinet Secretariat, Cabinet Division (NTISB), GoP.
3. PS to Chief Secretary, Sindh.
4. PS to Secretary I&C, SGA&CD, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
5. Staff Officer to IS&T Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
6. Webmaster, for uploading the advisory on url: <https://www.sindh.gov.pk/>