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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To report on vulnerabilities and promote effective IT security practices throughout the country, the Security guidelines are issued from time to time by the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team - CERT-In   which is a government-mandated information technology (IT) security organization tracking defacement of Indian websites on regular basis.

Director General, CERT-In vide his d.o. letter No. 2(6)/2013-CERT-In dated 30th January 2014 has informed that a total of 1933 and 1238 Indian websites were defaced by various hackers during the month of November and December 2013 respectively. A total of 12 & 14 websites belonging to Government Departments were defaced during these months.

CERT-In has issued following security guidelines which may be referred from the knowledge base section available on CERT-In website www.cert-in.org.in :

- Web Server Security Guidelines
- Securing IIS/ 7.0 Web Server Guidelines
- Guidelines for Auditing and Logging

In view of the growing attacks on Indian Websites, all Pr. CCAs/CCAs/CAs having independent charge are requested to issue necessary directions to the Pr. Accounts Office/Pay & Accounts Offices under their control to download the security guidelines from the website of CERT In and to follow them so as to ensure the required safeguards for websites.

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To

1. **All Pr. CCAs/CCAs/CAs (with Independent charge).**
2. **Jt. CGA (CPSMS), O/o CGA.**
3. **Jt. CGA (Administration), O/o CGA**