SUBJECT: <u>CYBER SECURITY ADVISORY NO. 24 NEW MALWARE/ SUSPENSION APPL "NEBULA SHOPPING"</u>

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I am directed to forward the copy of the advisory received from National Telecom & Information Technology Security Board on the above subject, for uploading on FBR's website as a precautionary measure.

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1. <u>Introduction</u>. A 3rd party application Nebula Shopping is targeting applicants/ users to acquire their personal and financial details such as mobile phone number, bank account and email ID; thereby making users vulnerable to identity theft and fraud. Such applications with other names can also be found on the web. Cyber probe and technical analysis against Nebula Application revealed that Nebula Shopping is allegedly a fraud application for earning money online and aims to provide easy loan through online order submission.

2. Recommendations

- a. Don't Reveal Personal or Financial Information on 3rd Party apps. Do not respond to Application solicitation for this information.
- b. Check security permissions of such apps before providing any sensitive information online.
- c. In case, a user is not sure whether the app is legitimate, try to verify by contacting the company directly.
- d. Block installation of apps from unknown sources, only install apps form official app stores, such as Google Play Store/ App Store.
- e. Google Play project (android built in Anti Malware) must not be switched off in any case as it detects suspicious apps in your mobile device based on their behavior and generates alerts.
- f. Before installing any app, users must read its privacy policy explaining what data it is collecting form users and with whom it is sharing that data.
- g. It is recommended that users should keep their communication app upto-date from their respective App Stores. Do not ignore updates from apps installed on your device.
- h. Regularly Update Mobile Operating System whenever updates are available.

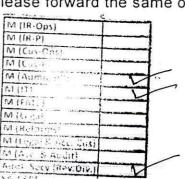
Use Antivirus in order to prevent any danger that may compromise personal data stored on the device.

Carefully consider what information you want to store on the device, remember that with enough time, sophistication and access to the device, any attacker can obtain the stored information.

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