

**Subject: Prevention against Cyber Espionage (Advisory No 09 2016)**

1. **Introduction.** A new malware .is being sent to officers and staff of Government departments. The email attachment is a false report of "Red Cell" which presents a link to download the malware.(Annex- A).
2. **Summary of Malicious Email**
  - a. **Subject.** Red Cell Special Memorandum.
  - b. **File Name.** Red Cell Special Memorandum.docx.
  - c. **File Type.** Microsoft Word Document with link to download malware
3. **Indicators of Compromise.** In case if following files and folders are found in the computer, it means that computer is hacked:-
  - a. C:\Users\admin\AppDataLocal\Temp\RarSFX0\1176frg3fg.js.
  - b. C:\Users\admin\AppDataLocal\Temp\RarSFXO\ **Red Cell Special Mernorandum.pdf (Annex B).**
  - c. [C:\PersfLogs\sys\chrome.exe.](C:\PersfLogs\sys\chrome.exe)
4. **C&C (Command & Control) Servers**
  - a. 95.211.189.56 (Netherland).
  - b. <http://pakinternetnetwork-mailinglist-userweebly.com> (USA).
5. **Capabilities of Malware.** The malware collects sensitive information like keystrokes username , passwords , power point , word and excel documents from internal and external hard-disks-and uploads them to C&C server mentioned at Para 4a.
6. **Recommendations**
  - a. In case if indicators of compromise (Para 3) are found in the system, please disconnect the computer from internet and reinstall Windows.
  - b. Block C&C Servers at Para 4 in firewalls of own networks.
  - c. Install and update well reputed antiviruses such as Kaspersky, Bitdefender, Nod 32, Avast etc.
  - d. Update all softwares including Windows OS, Microsoft Office and all other softwares.
  - e. Install and regularly update software firewall such as Comodo Firewall or Zonealarm.
  - f. Don't download attachments from emails unless you are sure about the source.