

Subject: **Prevention Against Cyber Espionage Advisory No 08 March 2018**

1. **Introduction.** Security researchers have found critical vulnerability in "Mozilla Firefox" that could allow remote attackers to execute malicious code on computers running an affected version of the browser.

2. **Technical analysis**

- a. The vulnerability is due to insufficient sanitization of HTML fragments in chrome privileged documents.
- b. To exploit this vulnerability the attacker may use misleading language or instructions to persuade a targeted user to open a crafted file.
- c. Mozilla has confirmed the vulnerability and released software updates.

3. **Affected Product**

- a. Firefox 56 (.0,0.1,0.2).
- b. Firefox 57 (.0,0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4).
- c. Firefox 58(.0).

4. **Mitigation Measures.** Following best practices are suggested in this regard:-

- a. Mozilla has released software update; it is mandatory to update the browser before using it.
- b. Administrators are advised to use an unprivileged account while browsing the internet.
- c. Be careful while using social media groups/ pages and don't click or download any file or image.
- d. Don't open any document received via email or any unknown resource.
- e. Install and update well reputed and licensed antiviruses.

5. **Recommendations**

- a. Regularly check the company website for updates and release of security patch.
- b. Strictly follow all mitigation measures discussed at para 4.