

Subject: **Advisory – Updation of Patches on Windows Server and Client Machines (Advisory No. 23)**

It has been confirmed that selected IBM software businesses (including Big Fix, Apps Can, Unica, Web Sphere, Lotus Nites, Domino and Tivoli) have been acquired by M/s HCL Technologies Ltd, India thus posing a serious National Cyber Security Concern. In this backdrop, it is advised that with immediate effect all Federal / Provincial Ministries Autonomous Bodies, CMOs and ISPs (any other setup deemed necessary) to take following substantial measures: -

- a. Organizations using HCL provided solutions online (i.e. directly connected to internet) be advised to discontinue their use as soon as possible.
- b. In Scenario, where organizations are using HCL procured solutions offline (i.e. in private networks and not connected with internet) may continue using these without applying any HCL provided update / patch / remote access etc. These organizations should procure alternate solutions as soon as possible suggested below: -
  - (1) Microsoft System Center Configuration Manger (SCCM).
  - (2) Kaspersky Endpoint Protection / Patch Manager.
  - (3) Symantec Endpoint Protection / Patch Manager.
  - (4) Window Server Update Services (WSUS).