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Identified security vulnerabilities preventing leak of personal information for over 100 million individuals.

## **Skills:**

- **Application Security:** Experienced in finding security issues in Web Apps, Mobile Apps, AI based Chatbots, Facebook Applications, APIs. Currently holding 2<sup>nd</sup> rank on Coinbase 's public bug bounty program on Hackerone .
- **Vulnerability Management and Penetration Testing** - Proficient in finding and exploiting vulnerabilities in an organization's IT infrastructure including Web Applications, Servers, Cloud etc. Also performed vulnerability assessments using Nessus, Qualys guard scanner, Nexpose.
- **Cloud Security Assessment:** Experienced in managing and securing cloud infrastructure and performing Vulnerability Assessments in VPC network and cloud-based Web, Mobile applications.
- Open-Source Intelligence: Proficient in discovering business-critical information about organizations, such as leaked credit card details and credentials, by monitoring specific forums and chat rooms in the Darknet.
- Computer Forensics: Proficient in Data Carving, Network Traffic Analysis, Memory Forensics, Familiar with tools like Wireshark, TCP Dump, Network Miner, Autopsy, Volatility, and many more.
- Endpoint Protection/Secure Configuration Review: Performed configuration reviews for Linux, Windows, Servers, Databases, Firewalls, Web Application Firewalls and Endpoints.
- Java, Javascript, C#, Python, HTML, CSS, PHP, Powershell, Bash scripting as well as basic knowledge of SQL Computer Networks, and Amazon Web Services
- Soft Skills - Extremely Trustworthy, Curious, Quick learner, Detail-oriented

## **Notable Findings:**

- *"Personal info of Akasa Air's passengers leaked, airline informs CERT-In"*
- *"India shipping logistics giant Shipyaari exposed customer data"*
- *"Critical Flaw Reported In phpMyAdmin Lets Attackers Damage Databases"*

## **Work Experience and Projects:**

- **Manager at Deloitte Asia Pacific**  
(Jun 2017 - Present, Promoted in Jun 2019, Jun 2022 and Jun 2024)
  - Prevented multiple large-scale data breaches by reporting misconfigured Databases, S3 buckets, IDORs and other vulnerabilities to multiple organizations.
  - Enhanced the organization's detection capabilities with comprehensive adversary simulation, purple teaming, and automated these tasks by creating YAML files, scripts for Atomic Red Team framework.
  - Managed cybersecurity engagements for clients across Finance, Insurance, Power and Utilities, and Aviation sectors, focusing on identifying, prioritizing, and remediating vulnerabilities with consideration for business impact and risk.
  - Performed extensive Security Assessments of Web Apps, Mobile Apps, APIs, AI based Chatbots, bots etc with Grey box, Black box and white box approach followed by confirmatory assessments and coordination with development teams for fixing the vulnerabilities.
  - Conducted black box security assessments utilizing various tools and custom wordlists to unveil the organizations' 'Shadow IT'.

- Assisted clients in developing custom rules for Web Application Firewalls to facilitate virtual patching.
- Created Detailed Reports, explained findings, associated risk, and provided recommendations to developers, application owners and the Senior Management.
- **Contributor** – Exploit Prediction Scoring System ([EPSS](#)) (Jul 2022 – Present)
- Law Enforcement: Gujarat Police Department (Feb 2016 – May 2016) – Consultant/volunteer for investigations of cybercrimes at office of Inspector General of Police, Gandhinagar Range
  - Forensic Science Laboratory, Gujarat - Digital Forensics Trainee
- Created '**ShortLink Scanner**', a tool that scans large volumes of short URLs to identify those potentially leaking sensitive information. <https://github.com/ashutosh771/shortlink-scanner>
- Created X Handle - Web Application Hacker's Handbook Fan Club: [www.twitter.com/wahh\\_fans](http://www.twitter.com/wahh_fans)
- Reported a large number of Facebook pages and profiles, Android apps on Playstore, X accounts that served disturbing and violent content or involved in frauds.
- **Conference Presentation:** Delivered a live demonstration on command-line obfuscation techniques and web attack case studies at the ET CISO Annual Conclave, 7th Edition.

## **Achievements and Certificates:**

- Featured in [Coinbase](#) security blog celebrating 10-year journey of their bug bounty program.
- Received a \$1337 Abuse Research Grant for uncovering abuse risks in Google Meet, along with rewards from Google's Android Security Reward Program for identifying a widespread Android OS issue, and for finding a security flaw in Google Maps.
- [CVE-2022-23746](#) - Credential stuffing, Password Spraying flaws in [Checkpoint](#) SSL Network Extender.
- [CVE-2017-1000499](#) - CSRF in PHPMyAdmin, featured in various InfoSec blogs such as [The Hacker News](#), [Net Sparker](#), etc. Submitted an exploit on [exploit.db](#) for CVE 2017-1000499.
- [CVE-2019-5638](#), [CVE-2019-5640](#) - Found multiple vulnerabilities in Rapid7 insightVM, Nexpose.
- [CVE-2019-6120](#), [CVE-2019-6121](#), [CVE-2019-6122](#) - Found [Multiple issues](#) in NiceHash Miner, a prominent thick client application used by 1,00,000+ crypto miners for mining crypto currencies.
- [CVE-2020-27585](#), [CVE-2020-27586](#), [CVE-2020-27587](#) - CVE IDs and reward for reporting multiple Vulnerabilities in QuickHeal Total Security v18.0
- Acknowledged by NASA, [United Nations](#), [United States Department of Defense](#), National Critical Information Infrastructure Protection Centre (NCIIPC), CERT-IN- Government of India, Deloitte, [FireEye](#) (for finding security issue in FireEye HX), Amazon, United Airlines, Verizon, [IBM](#), [Nokia](#), JPMorgan Chase, Harvard University, University of Cambridge, AVG Technologies, Amazon Web Services, Avira, Intel Corporation, [TrendMicro](#) etc. for reporting security issues in their web applications.
- Rewarded by Google, Twitter, Coinbase, *United Airlines (over 2 Million miles)*, Symantec, Quick Heal, ING Bank, NiceHash, Go Airlines for finding and reporting security issues with their web applications.
- Certificate - *Operational Security (OPSEC) training* for Control Systems by Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT), *U.S. Department of Homeland Security* (July-2014)
- Certified Ethical Hacker, CEH v10: Aug 2018 (Expired in Aug 2021)
- IELTS General Test Scores – Reading – 8.5, Listening – 8.0, Speaking, Writing – 7.5 | Overall - 8.0

## **Education:**

- **Master of Technology in Cyber Security and Incident Response, 2017**  
*National Forensic Sciences University [NFSU]* [First Class with Distinction]  
 Final Year Dissertation - 'Analysis of Ransomware Families and Incident Response'
- Bachelor of Engineering: Computer Engineering: 2015  
 Ahmedabad Institute of Technology, Ahmedabad CGPA - 6.7

## **Hobbies, Interests:**

Engaging in farming, tree-planting, practicing martial arts (Tae-kwon-do, Gōjū-ryū), trekking