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CIRCULAR

Subject: Multiple Vulnerabilities reported in Microsoft Edge & Google Chrome used for various purposes by the users through their system regarding.

Please find enclosed herewith an OM No. V-12025/1/2021-PFMS Part-1/CNo-7645/6943 dated 13.02.2023 issued by AGCA, PFMS O/o CGA, New Delhi on the subject cited above.

All the Zonal Heads of the under O/o Pr.CCA, CBIC are requested to direct respective PAOs under their administrative control for strict compliance of the instructions contained in aforesaid OM to mitigate the risk while working in PFMS.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Encl: as above

(Lakshman Dubruwal)
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To:

1. The Dy. CA, North Zone, CBIC, New Delhi
2. The Dy. CA O/o CA (WZ), CBIC, Mumbai
3. The ACA O/o DCA(EZ), CBIC, Kolkata
4. The Dy. CA O/o DCA(SZ), CBIC, Chennai
5. All PAOs of North Zone

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1. Sr. PS to Pr.CCA (CBIC)
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3. PA to DCA, CBIC
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5. Sr. AO (ITD) requested to upload on the ARPIT portal.

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Office Memorandum


It may be known to all that Microsoft has discontinued the 'Internet explorer' services w.e.f. 15/06/2022. Thereafter Users are executing the DSC functions through 'Microsoft Edge' as well as 'Chrome browser' for various purposes. CERT-IN agency has reported multiple vulnerabilities for users working on Microsoft edge and Chrome with old versions in their machines. These vulnerabilities could lead to intrusion in the applications and threat to leakage of sensitive information.

2. In view of the above it is advised that all users may upgrade their machines as under: -

- a) All the client machines using Microsoft Edge may be upgraded to version 109.0.1518.61 (<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/deployedge/microsoft-edge-relnotes-security#january-19-2023>)
- b) All the client machine using Google Chrome may apply appropriate updates as mentioned by Google Chrome.
(https://chromereleases.googleblog.com/2023/01/stable-channel-update-for-desktop_24.html)

3. All Users are therefore advised to go through the URLs provided above and upgrade their systems in order to mitigate the risk.

This issues with the approval of Addl.CGA, PFMS Division.


13/02/2023
(Rahul Garg)
ACGA (PFMS)