

Cyber Security Hackathon and Cyber Security Policy for Pune Smart City

8-March-2019: To promote cyber security and data privacy in the smart cities, Pune Smart City Development Corporation Limited (PSCDCL) in collaboration with Data Security Council of India (DSCI) will be conducting a Cyber Security Hackathon and release a cyber security policy for the Pune Smart City.

The hackathon will focus on various technology layers and solution areas with the aim to identify and mitigate the vulnerabilities across the elements and components across IOT, application and network layers in the smart city solutions. The hackathon aims to sensitise on the cyber security and data privacy objectives of the city to make itself cyber safe and secure for its residents.

With a commitment to ensure a safe, secure and resilient cyber space for its citizens and protect its information and infrastructure from unauthorised use, Pune Smart City Development Corporation Limited will also release a cyber security policy for the Pune Smart City. The Cyber Security Policy and Framework developed in partnership with DSCI will provide guidance to its departments to ensure that the cyber security and data privacy is maintained across all elements of people, process & technology.

Rajendra Jagtap, CEO, Pune Smart City said *“Our partnership with Data Security Council of India, focusing on cyber security in a Smart City, started several months back. We have been an early starter amongst the other Smart Cities in this important area and look forward to partnering DSCI on this hackathon on cyber security over and above working with them on other areas of strategic interest.”*

Commenting on this initiative, **Mr. Manojit Bose, Chief Knowledge Officer, Pune Smart City Development Corporation Limited** said *“Cyber security is a critical component of a Smart City architecture. As cities attempt to digitally transform themselves leveraging the legacy applications and emerging technologies there is a significant increase in the attack surface. We look forward to our partnership with DSCI to imbibe some of the best practices in this domain including partnering them in this first of its kind hackathon at a city level.”*

Ms. Rama Vedashree, Chief Executive Officer of Data Security Council of India (DSCI) said *“The Smart City Initiative focuses on sustainable development of Smart Cities & harnessing digital technologies for an integrated citizen services delivery, hence, it calls for a strong focus on Cyber Security. Given the ever-increasing threats, use of apt security technologies & controls to cyber secure our Smart Cities & its functioning is of prime importance. We are honoured to partner with Pune Smart City on development of the cyber security policy framework for city and promoting the awareness by organising a cyber security hackathon for Pune Smart City.”*

About PSCDCL

As per the Govt. Resolution no smartci-pune-2016/PR94/UD-23 dated 14/03/16, the composition of the Special Purpose Vehicle for Pune Municipal Corporation has been approved. “Pune Smart City Development Corporation Limited (PSCDCL)” was formed on 23rd March 2016 as a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) under Smart City Mission for implementation of Smart City Projects in Pune.

The registered office of the “Pune Smart City Development Corporation Ltd. (PSCDCL)” is at the Pune Municipal Corporation (PMC) office, Main Building at Shivaji Nagar Pune.

PSCDCL is envisaged to be a thin SPV with procurement from the market for all key positions including Heads of Departments. There is a governing board to manage affairs of the SPV and is supported by various committees and the Chief Executive Officer (also an Executive Director on the Board).

About DSCI

Data Security Council of India (DSCI) is a premier industry body on data protection in India, setup by NASSCOM®, committed to making the cyberspace safe, secure and trusted by establishing best practices, standards and initiatives in cyber security and privacy. DSCI brings together governments and their agencies, industry sectors including IT-BPM, BFSI, Telecom, industry associations, data protection authorities and think tanks for public advocacy, thought leadership, capacity building and outreach initiatives.

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