

Lockheed Martin and Data security council of India launch cybersecurity program

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PANAJI: Lockheed Martin and the Data Security Council of India (DSCI) announced the launch of a new cybersecurity education program for small and mid-size businesses to help them minimise risk from online threats. DSCI promotes data protection among the Indian industry and is partnering with Lockheed Martin to heighten the cybersecurity awareness of businesses and their workforce.

"Digital technologies will play a key role in enhancing competitiveness and their growth agenda. As small and medium businesses and their workforce embark on their digital journeys, they need to protect themselves against cyberattacks," said chief executive officer for DSCI Rama Vedashree.

The initiative includes development of an interactive Cyber Security Awareness Web Portal with resources for businesses to safely and securely manage their digital presence. "With nearly 50 million units with over 110 million employments, and contributing over one-third of the manufacturing output in the country, this sector has wide reach in large number of verticals. A program for this sector can have huge impact on a significant part of business community in the country and a towards realizing the vision of Digital India," additional secretary, Department of Electronics & Information Technology (DeitY) Ajay Kumar said.

Research indicated that only 23% of organizations were capable of responding effectively to a cyber incident yet the impact of a cyberattack could be wide-ranging and costly, Chief Executive at Lockheed Martin India Phil Shaw, said.