

With the ever increasing threat of Botnets and Malware, Government of India has initiated **Cyber Swachhta Kendra** (Botnet Cleaning and Malware Analysis Centre) under Digital India initiative under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) to create a secure cyber space by detecting botnet infections in India.

Taking in view of the loss of privacy and confidential data it is highly recommended to have cyber presence free of bots and other kinds of malware. In order to remove the malware and botnets you need to scan your PC/Laptop with software specially designed for this purpose. Although there are variety of tools available in the market, one such tool [free bot removal tool](#) is freely available on the website <https://www.cyberswachhtakendra.gov.in/>.

It is highly recommended that you download and use this tools to disinfect your PC/Laptop to prevent further infection from spreading and have a safe and secure online experience.

You are requested to kindly follow the countermeasures mentioned below:

1. Install and maintain updated anti-virus and anti-spyware software at desktop level.
2. Scan computer system with updated anti-virus for possible infections and disinfect the same.
3. Install and maintain personal desktop firewall.
4. Check for the suspicious network activities of infected computer system mentioned in list and disinfect the same if found.
5. Use only genuine software.
6. Keep up-to-date patches and fixes on the operating system and application software.
7. Exercise caution while opening email attachments.
8. Do not browse un-trusted websites or follow un-trusted links and exercise caution while click on the link provided in any unsolicited emails.

The alerts on latest malware are published on website of CERT-In under VIRUS ALERTS section. For protection against latest threats and vulnerabilities users may visit website: <http://www.cert-in.org.in> and <https://www.cyberswachhtakendra.gov.in>