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Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Department of Health & Family Welfare

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
Date:26-09-2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Modus Operandi being adopted for collecting sensitive information-reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of D.O letter No. 22011/44/2025-CC dated 02.09.2025 on the subject cited above received from Ministry of Home Affairs and to request that necessary action may be taken to sensitize the personnel employed in the Organisations/Attached Offices/Institutes under the administrative control of your Division.

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D.O. No. 22011/44/2025-CC

Dated: 02 September, 2025

Respected, Sir,

I would like to draw your kind attention towards the act of some Chinese Intelligence Operatives (CIOs) and Suspected Chinese Entities (SCEs) which are actively engaged in collecting sensitive information pertaining to India's national security, defence establishment, critical infrastructure and government functioning etc.

2. Modus Operandi:

- Use of Job Portals:** The Hongkong based CIOs and other SCEs have been reported using LinkedIn, Naukri.com to identify and recruit candidates with relevant experience particularly in the journalism and defense sectors. The shortlisted candidates are screened by Indian intermediaries and then sent to SCEs for final selection and placement .
- Tasks assigned to the recruited candidates:** The selected candidates were assigned the task of writing source-based articles, covering strategic topics such as India-China relations, QUAD, SCO, G20, war experience, Indo-Pak conflict, Operation Sindoor, deployment of troops, weapon systems, latest defence procurement, joint military exercises such as Nomadic Elephant (Indo-Mongolia), Malabar Exercise (QUAD countries), war exercises (India-US) etc.
- Payment - Indian Intermediaries, Amount of Cybercrime and Indian Students Used:** Initially \$100 was paid for writing articles, which increased to \$300-\$400 depending on the quality of the report. Payments were usually made through Indian accounts or sometimes through overseas transfers. In one case, ₹1 lakh was paid by an Indian student studying in China. In another instance, an amount of ₹40,000 was paid to a journalist, which was received from a cryptocurrency fraud in which a person from Gujarat was duped of ₹8.5 lakh.

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