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ITU-Bhutan Joint CyberDrill (11th - 14th July, 2022)

The Bhutan Computer Incident Response Team (BtCIRT) under the Department of IT and Telecom, Ministry of Information and Communications in collaboration with the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) kicked off the National CyberDrill-2022 on 11th July 2022. The 4 days long event will be carried out virtually every afternoon from 11-14 July 2022. The event is divided into three sessions over four afternoons with the following themes and objectives:

1) Reflect & Share

The first day kick-off session focussed on participation of high level Executives and parliamentarians, and participants from various critical agencies and a panel dicussion with national and international cybersecurity professionals as panelists. The objective was to bring together regional and international cybersecurity communities to review major regional cybersecurity trends and consider improvements and promote knowledge sharing.

2) Learn

The second day focuses on the training to build capacity in the areas of Incident response and Incident handling, and protection of critical information infrastructure of critical agencies. The target participants are members of FiCRT, Power Sectors, ISPs, ICT officers from Ministries among others.

3) Practice

The third and the fourth day are scenario based exercise sessions where the participants will be tested on their competencies related to operational resiliency, across the critical infrastructure agencies through simulated cyber attacks. There will be four simulated attacks in a cyber range platform provided by ITU. More than 30 participants are expected from critical agencies.

The 2022 ITU-Bhutan Joint National CyberDrill will emphasize the role of the participants in building cyber resilience and protecting critical information infrastructure. More information on the National CyberDrill can be found in this <u>link</u> and in BtCIRT's <u>facebook</u> page.