



## **Digital India - Ask Our Experts Opens the New Year with Focus on Cybersecurity Resolutions for 2026**

### **“Cybersecurity Must Become a Daily Habit for Every Citizen”: DG, CERT-In**

**New Delhi:** Episode 37 of Digital India - Ask Our Experts, the first one in the new year, was organised on January 2, 2026, and focused on **“Cybersecurity Resolutions for 2026”**, underscoring the growing importance of digital safety in an increasingly connected society.

The episode featured **Dr. Sanjay Bahl, Director General, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In)**, who addressed citizens' concerns and outlined India's priorities for strengthening cyber resilience.

Highlighting the significance of starting the year with cybersecurity awareness, the DG said, “As India's digital footprint expands, cybersecurity can no longer be treated as a one-time action. It must become a daily habit for every citizen, organisation and institution.”

Addressing common cyber threats such as online fraud, phishing, ransomware, identity theft and deepfakes, the expert emphasised that awareness and timely reporting are key to prevention. “Most cyber incidents can be avoided through basic cyber hygiene - strong passwords, cautious online behaviour and regular updates,” he noted.

During the interactive session, several myths around cybersecurity were addressed. The DG clarified, “Cybersecurity is about people, processes and technology. Most cyber incidents happen due to human error, not only because of technology.”

The discussion also highlighted CERT-In's ongoing initiatives to strengthen India's cyber defence framework ahead of 2026. Reiterating the vision of Digital India, the episode underscored the government's commitment to creating a safe, secure, and trusted digital ecosystem. Citizens were encouraged to adopt cybersecurity resolutions as part of their everyday digital lives.

Digital India - Ask Our Experts continues to serve as a platform for direct dialogue between citizens and subject-matter experts, promoting informed participation and responsible use of digital technologies.

The live session saw active participation from citizens across the country, and the viewers appreciated the clarity and accessibility of the information shared by the experts. The full recording of Episode 37 is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qOnwFuiJKnY&list=PLHdRh1IHRECKYclg1W6E3Q7UMIQimjTUj&index=4&t=521s>

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