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BT opens NEW global CYBER Security Operations Centre in INDIA

BT’s extended capabilities will protect customers in India and around the world

Sir Dominic Asquith, British High Commissioner to the Republic of India, has inaugurated BT’s new Cyber Security Operations Centre (Cyber SOC) in Gurugram, India.

Using a range of advanced cyber security tools, and through partnerships with key suppliers, the Cyber SOC will monitor threats against BT’s own assets and its customers’ networks on a 24/7 basis. BT’s cyber security specialists will be able to detect, analyse and mitigate cyber threats in real-time, working closely with incident response teams to ensure that issues are addressed as soon as they are discovered.

BT is one of the world’s leading cyber security providers, with circa 3000 cyber specialists around the globe offering services in Managed Security, Threat Intelligence and Security Consulting. BT’s Security division works with international organisations such as [Interpol](https://www.globalservices.bt.com/en/aboutus/news-press/bt-and-interpol-unite-to-fight-cybercrime) and [Europol](https://www.globalservices.bt.com/en/aboutus/news-press/bt-joins-forces-with-europol-to-build-a-safer-cyber-space) to combat cybercrime, and is one of the fastest growing areas of BT’s business. BT has been regularly recognised as one of the world’s leaders in managed security services by industry analysts such as [IDC](https://www.btplc.com/News/index.htm#/pressreleases/bt-named-a-leader-in-the-idc-marketscape-for-worldwide-managed-security-services-2017-2108829).

The Cyber SOC in Gurugram will provide ‘follow-the-sun’ services for international businesses, including threat assessment, investigations, intrusion detection & prevention, ethical hacking and penetration testing. The new Cyber SOC will employ a further 100 cyber security specialists. BT already has a team of 250 security people based separately in Gurugram, providing security services such as firewall and device management.

Sir Dominic Asquith commented: “I’m delighted to inaugurate this new Cyber Security Operations Centre in Gurugram, which is another fantastic demonstration of the UK’s world-leading cyber security expertise. This is exactly the kind of investment that the ambitious UK-India Tech Partnership, agreed by our Prime Ministers earlier this year, aims to achieve”.

Mark Hughes, CEO for BT Security, commented: “The Cyber SOC opened by the High Commissioner significantly adds to our security capability in the rapidly expanding Indian market, as well as to our global footprint of Security Operations Centres. We’re committed to providing an industry-leading service to our international customers, and we’re investing to ensure we remain their security partner of choice.”

**Notes to Editors:**

* BT has been in India since 1987, and is headquartered in New Delhi, with further offices in Bangalore, Mumbai, Gurugram, Kolkata and Chennai. Its operations there support some of the world’s largest Indian and multi-national organisations, and also provides services to BT in areas such as contract delivery, customer service, network engineering, data analytics, HR, billing and procurement.
* The UK-India Tech Partnership was agreed by Prime Ministers Modi and May in April 2018. It will encourage innovation and productivity by helping businesses in the UK and India collaborate on emerging technologies, develop mentoring relationships and exchange staff. The UK and India have also committed to holding a second UK-India Tech Summit in December 2018, the India UK Futuretech Festival, building on the 2016 Summit that the Prime Ministers inaugurated in India. This will bring together leading tech innovators, business, scientists and policy-makers from both the UK and India to look at pressing issues such as tech governance, including data privacy issues.

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