Pune ranks 3rd in cybersecurity threats among 10 cities: Report

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Pune: Pune ranks third among top 10 cities in the country on cybersecurity threats, a Quick Heal report for the April-June period this year showed.

Pune accounted for 57 lakh of total 4.5 crore cybersecurity threats detected in the top 10 cities in the country between April and June 2023, the report stated.

"In case of smartphones, 93 threats of malware were detected daily, while 78 threats of adware and 52 of potentially unwanted programme were found during the quarter. India saw an alarming surge of over 10 crore cyber threats during April-June, underscoring the urgency of proactive cybersecurity measures," Quick Heal joint managing director Sanjay Katkar said.

These stains are present in the ecosystem and the threats will continue to increase as the digital presence increases, Lt Col Santosh Khadsare (retd) and VP of eSec Forte Technologies said. Cyber criminals are using malwares and ransomeware for click fraud, he said.

Overall, trojans and infectors topped the list in terms of types of threats, followed by unwanted applications, exploits and cryptojacking. Trojan is a malware that enables the sender to gain system access, while infector is a virus affecting files in the system. Cryptojacking involves gaining access of the device to mine cryptocurrency.