

## India records 265 million cyber attacks; Seqrite releases the India cyber threat report 2026

Seqrite's India cyber threat report 2026 outlines cyber threats observed between October 2024 and September 2025, including high volumes of malware, ransomware, and network exploits across regions and key sectors. The report also notes gaps in national cybersecurity preparedness and is accompanied by the release of services focused on ransomware recovery and monitoring of digital risks outside traditional IT environments.

Seqrite, the enterprise arm of Quick Heal Technologies Limited, a global cybersecurity solutions provider, has released the India cyber threat report 2026 along with two enterprise grade services that respond to one of the most intense threat phases the country has ever faced. The report has been developed by Seqrite Labs, India's largest malware analysis center, and presents a clear picture of a threat landscape that is accelerating at a pace that affects every sector.

Between October 2024 and September 2025, Seqrite Labs monitored more than 8 million endpoints and recorded 265.52 million detections.

This equals more than 7,27, 000 detections each day and 505 detections every minute. Trojans and File Infectors dominate this ecosystem with 88.4 million Trojan detections and 71.1 million File Infector detections.

Together they contribute nearly 70% percent of all attacks that struck Indian organizations.

Next Generation Antivirus (NGAV) and Anti Ransomware (ARW) engines identified more than 34 million anomalous activities. Ransomware activity peaked in January 2025 with 185 incidents and 113,000 detections. Cryptojacking detections reached 6.5 million. Network-based exploits exceeded 9.2 million scans that frequently attempted to compromise WordPress plugins, Apache Tomcat, and SysAid systems.

Geographically, Maharashtra (36.1 million detections), Gujarat (24.1 million), and Delhi (15.4 million) emerged as the most affected states, with Mumbai, New Delhi, and Kolkata identified as the top targeted cities. From an industry perspective, the Education, Healthcare, and Manufacturing sectors together accounted for nearly 47% of all detections, reflecting their criticality and resource constraints that make them vulnerable to large-scale attacks.

Complementing these findings, the India Cybersecurity Preparedness

2026 Survey reveals that while adoption rates are strong in areas such as advanced malware protection (86.7%) and backup readiness (78.5%), significant gaps persist in incident response, secure configuration, and asset hygiene. With an average maturity score of 6.37/10, India's overall cybersecurity preparedness remains uneven, leaving organizations vulnerable to modern and fast-evolving threats.

Given the criticality of today's cyber threat landscape and the severe economic loss that businesses suffer each time operations are disrupted, Seqrite has also introduced Ransomware Recovery as a Service. We have also launched Seqrite Digital Risk Protection Services (DRPS), a SaaS platform designed to detect, monitor, and neutralize digital threats that exist beyond traditional IT perimeters.

Commenting on the new developments, Dr. Sanjay Katkar, Joint Managing Director from Quick Heal Technologies Ltd., said, "India's cybersecurity landscape stands at a critical juncture today, facing unprecedented risks. The India Cyber Threat Report 2026 is aimed at providing policymakers, enterprises, and citizens with the intelligence needed to understand evolving threats, and engage in proactive cybersecurity practices"

India's digital expansion, cloud adoption, and large user base continue to attract ransomware syndicates, state-aligned actors, and cybercriminal groups.

Cyberattack campaigns such as Operation Sindoor reflect the rise of hybrid attacks driven by financial, political and ideological motives.

The India cyber threat report 2026 presents detailed insights on advanced persistent threat activity, zero-day vulnerabilities, ransomware campaigns, malware families, and shifting attack patterns. The report is replete with actionable intelligence that organizations of every scale can adopt. It not only deep dives into India's threat landscape but also provides clear predictions for the year ahead and practical steps that enterprises can refer to in order to strengthen their defense against anticipated risks. 14 out of the 20 predictions made in the previous edition came true. The guidance in this year's report spans predictive intelligence, identity-centric defense, Al security hardening, automated patch management, resilience frameworks, collaboration and continuous training, giving businesses a roadmap to improve security readiness in an increasingly complex environment.