Certification Programme on

Cyber Security for CXO's of NBFCs

(Designed in line with Reserve Bank of India (RBI)'s Mandatory Customised Certification Programme Guidelines for NBFCs)

(21 -23 January, 2026)

Administrative Staff College of India
(accredited as उत्कृष्ट by Capacity Building Commission, GoI)

NBFCs are free to take this mandatory certification from Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI), which is a highly reputed Government of India institution with clear track record of conducting high value Cybersecurity Programmes for BFSI Sector.

PREFACE

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has made cybersecurity compliance mandatory for NBFCs through the Cyber Security Framework for NBFCs, the 2024-25 Master Direction on Cyber Resilience and Digital Payment Security Controls, and the Master Direction on IT Governance, Risk, Controls and Assurance Practices. These guidelines require strong governance, Board-level oversight, continuous monitoring, and effective incident response.

As NBFCs become increasingly digital, data-driven, and customer-centric, they also attract the attention of sophisticated cyber adversaries. In such an environment, leadership preparedness becomes not just a regulatory requirement, but a strategic imperative. While traditional training programs often remain limited to concepts and compliance checklists, modern NBFC leaders need deeper strategic cyber literacy—an understanding of emerging threats, their business impact, and the ability to guide the organisation toward stronger cyber resilience.

This programme has been thoughtfully designed to address this very need. It brings together regulatory expectations, business impact insights, sector-specific threat intelligence, and immersive cyber simulation experiences. Together, these elements equip NBFC leaders with the clarity, confidence, and decision-making capability required to effectively steer cyber risk governance and build a resilient digital enterprise.

PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

- Understand key cybersecurity principles, emerging risks in India, and the regulatory landscape including RBI guidelines and DPDP Act requirements.
- Strengthen governance and oversight capabilities for IT risk, cybersecurity, and enterprise-wide resilience.
- Enhance decision-making on outsourcing, vendor management, cloud security, and supply chain risk.
- Build readiness for cyber incident response, recovery, and crisis management at the leadership level.

- Improve compliance preparedness by understanding IT Assurance, IS Audit expectations, and regulatory enforcement priorities.

- Develop essential technical awareness on network, application, and cloud security required for informed CxO decision-making.

- Enhance strategic understanding of common cyber gaps, fraud risks, and resilience requirements across NBFC/banking operations.

These objectives are structured to deliver a comprehensive and results-oriented training programme that enhances participants' ability to manage cyber risks, meet compliance, and apply advanced tools within the immersive Cyber Theme Park (CTmP) environment.

This programme offers much more:

- Hands-on immersion that lets leaders experience threat behaviour rather than learn it theoretically.

- NBFC-specific attack scenarios derived from real incidents in the sector.

- Board-level crisis simulations highlighting regulatory, reputational, and operational impact.

- Instant, action-oriented feedback to strengthen decision-making and governance.

- Practical insights for cyber investment and oversight, enabling Boards to better engage with CISOs and risk leaders.

COURSE MODULES

Day 1: Foundations, Regulatory Framework & Governance

Principles of Cyber Security
Basic terminologies - Security Framework - Cyber Risk in India – Emerging Trends
IT / Cyber Security Governance
- Role of Business Heads in cybersecurity - Governance responsibilities & accountability - RBI's Master Direction on IT Governance, Risk, Controls & Assurance Practices

Operational Risk & IT – Part 1

- Understanding IT Risk vs Cybersecurity Risk
- IT Infrastructure & Services Management
- Threat exposure across banking/NBFC digital operations
- Data sensitivity & privacy issues
- DPDP Act & Rules – implications for business heads
- Ransomware risks & mitigation techniques

Day-2: Enterprise Cyber Risk Management & Resilience

Cyber Security – Enterprise-Wide Risk Management

- Enterprise Control
- IT Infrastructure Security
- BCM, Business Continuity & Cyber Resilience
- Cyber security posture & control requirements
- Incident Response & Recovery
- Role of CxOs in ensuring cyber resilience (beyond CTO/CISO)
- Fraud Management
- Continuous Risk Management

IT Outsourcing & Supply Chain Risk

- Outsourcing risk management
- Cloud security essentials
- Supply chain Risk and Mitigation

Day 3: Technical Essentials, Assurance & Practical Insights

Basic of Network security, Application security and Cloud security
IT Assurance function – Importance of IS Audit
IT and Cyber Law as relevant to NBFCs
Practical Insights & Case Studies - Best practices in IT/Cyber Security in RBI-regulated entities - Common deficiencies in Cyber Security Policy & implementation - Three Lines of Defence model in IT & Information Security
Certification & validation Summery

Practical Approach

CTmP (Cyber Lab):

- Discussion on Latest Industry-Specific Case Studies

- Data Classification Exercise

- Cyber Drills – Phishing Simulation, MFA Bypass, Identity Theft

- Cyber Demonstrations – Cyber Attack Simulation

- KRI / KPI Dashboard Walkthrough

- Vendor Red-Flag Review

- Cyber Attack Walkthrough Using the MITRE ATT&CK Framework

- Data Exfiltration Attempt – Real-Time Case

- Comprehensive Attack Pattern Detection in SIEM

- Tabletop Exercise

- Assessments

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This three-day programme is specifically curated for CXOs of NBFCs.

FACULTY & DELIVERY PARTNERS

The programme is delivered through a strategic collaboration with experienced banking cybersecurity leaders, former regulators, distinguished academics from premier institutions, and industry experts specializing in IT governance and financial sector security. This collective expertise ensures that Board members receive a comprehensive learning experience that integrates regulatory perspective, strategic governance insights, and practical, real-world cybersecurity knowledge.

Organisational sponsorship is essential

VENUE

The programme is fully residential and the participants will be accommodated in air-conditioned single occupancy rooms. The college does not provide accommodation for the family. The college is Wi-Fi enabled in a comprehensive way.

DURATION

The programme duration is **3** days starting from **January 21 - 23, 2026.** The participants are expected to arrive a day before commencement and may leave after the conclusion of the programme.

PROGRAMME FEE

Residential Fee: Rs. 43,700/- (US $683 for foreigners) plus GST as applicable (presently 18%) per participant. The fee covers tuition, board and lodging, courseware (in electronic form) and other facilities of the College including internet usage.

Non-Residential Fee: Rs. 37,700/- plus GST as applicable (presently 18%) per participant. The fee covers tuition, course ware (in electronic form) working lunch and other facilities of the College including internet usage.

A discount of 10% on the Programme fee for three or more participants from the same organisation will be given, provided the payment is credited into our Bank account before **January 19, 2026.**

Note: Kindly forward us the details of the Bank/ Wire transfer of the programme fee through email to: poffice@asci.org.in for confirmation.

Bank details are given below:

For Indian Participants:

Bank Account Number	62090698675
Beneficiary Name	Administrative Staff College of India
IFSC Code	SBIN0020063
Bank Name	State Bank of India
Branch Address	Bellavista Branch, Raj Bhavan Road, Somajiguda, Hyderabad - 500 082

For Foreign Participants:

Bank Account Number	62090698675
Beneficiary Name	Administrative Staff College of India
Swift Code	SBININBB327
Bank Name	State Bank of India
Branch Address	Bellavista Branch, Raj Bhavan Road, Somajiguda, Hyderabad - 500 082.
Country	India

MEDICAL INSURANCE

The nominees are requested to carry with them the proof of Medical Insurance. The sponsoring agency is required to endorse the nominees' medical coverage in the event of hospitalization

LAST DATE FOR NOMINATION

Please use the prescribed/attached form. Last date for receiving nominations is **January 14, 2026.** Kindly contact Programmes Officer for further details (contact details are given at the end of the nomination form).

LAST DATE FOR WITHDRAWAL

January 17, 2026. Any withdrawals after this date will entail forfeiture of fee paid, if any.

ASCI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Participants of the College programmes will automatically become members of the ASCI alumni association.

CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

The College issues a Certificate of Participation on conclusion of the programme.

Programme Director

Dr Madhusoodanan P R

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Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI) is taking all the precautionary measures and following all the norms (in light of COVID 19) to provide a safe environment for the participants who are visiting our Campus to attend the Training Programmes.

ABOUT ASCI

"I need not tell you how important I feel this institution is, not because it is the first in Asia or third in the world, but because obviously,
it performs a task which is of high importance in the present state of our country, perhaps of other countries too."
-- Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the First Prime Minister of India during his visit to the College on 23 Oct. 1958

Established in 1956, it is the first and foremost institution of its kind in the country. Set up as an institution with a difference at the joint initiative of both the Government of India and the industry, it is an autonomous, self-supporting, public-purpose institution with the objectives of being a think- tank for policy inputs and to build the capacities of practicing professionals in the management of government and business enterprises.

ASCI is an institution of excellence and national importance, and a registered society by constitution. At the apex of its governance structure is a policy-setting, oversight body, the Court of Governors (CoG). It is a virtual who's who of eminent professionals, public figures and industry leaders who have distinguished themselves in their respective fields of specialization in education, enterprise, administration, management and governance spanning a wide variety of sectors like agriculture, banking, engineering, economics, judiciary, law, manufacturing, science and technology and public administration.

Capacity building and applied research assignments constitute the bedrock of the activities of ASCI. They have larger societal benefit and public good as the key cornerstones. ASCI integrates economic, social, cultural, financial, technological, regulatory, human, organizational, and environmental aspects into its management training and action-research initiatives for addressing issues of topical interest and current concern to the government and the industry. With its focus on policy, strategy, management, governance, regulation and socio-economic impact evaluation, ASCI brings knowledge inputs, informed advice, best practice and innovative ideas to bear on its training, policy advocacy, advisory and implementation-assistance services. In the process, it provides opportunities to State and Central Government Departments and Ministries in India and abroad as well as the industry, to develop sustainable policies, devise inclusive strategies and deploying robust plans towards improved economic performance, human development and social progress.

As a result, ASCI enjoys the trust and confidence of the government and industry and is relied upon and entrusted with assignments of varied scale, scope, sweep, spread and specialization.

ABOUT CYBER THEME PARK (CTmP) AN EXPERIENCE CENTRE
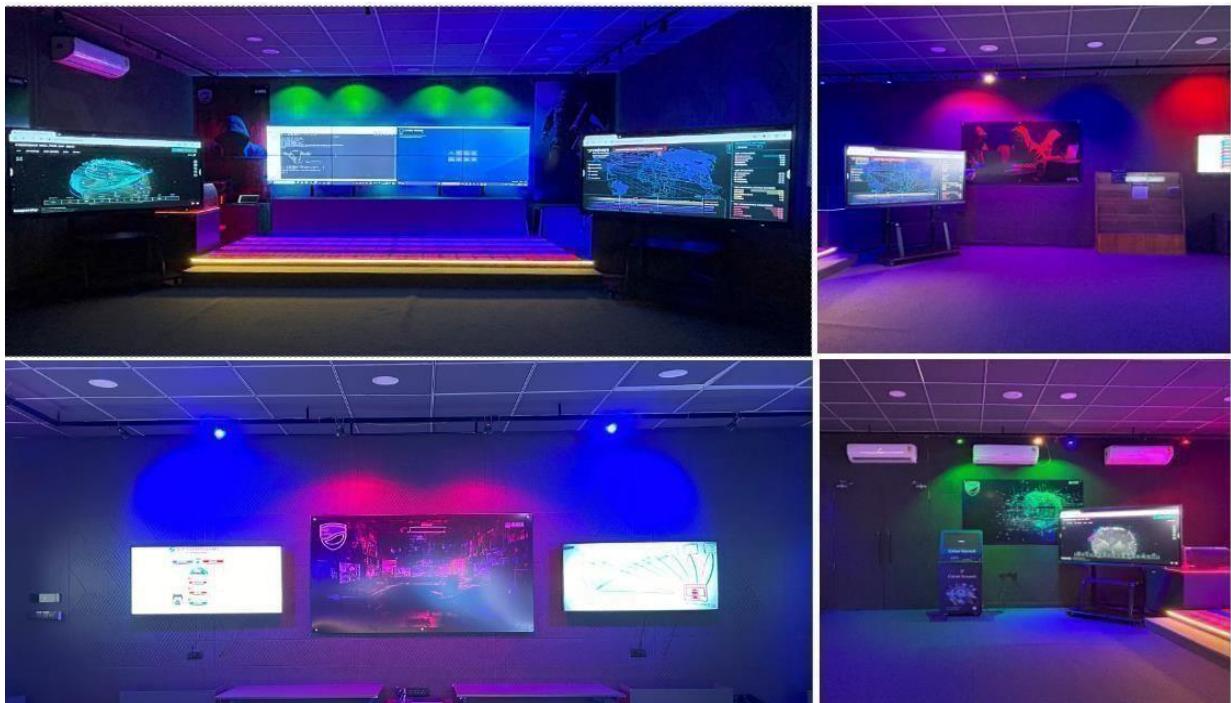
Cyber Theme Park is an experience centre that transforms theoretical knowledge into practical wisdom. It is a dynamic environment where individuals come together to engage in meaningful interactions, exchange ideas, and challenge their existing perspectives. We believe that true learning occurs when theoretical knowledge is applied and tested in real-life scenarios & situations. Our aim is to bridge the gap between theory and practice by creating an immersive experience with 4 distinct mindsets Attacker, Protector, Defender, and Overseer that transforms abstract concepts into tangible outcomes. The programme seamlessly blends theory with practical, immersing you in the world of attacker and defender techniques.

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Nomination Form
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Nominee's Contact Information

Name (Mr/Ms) :	Date of Birth:
Designation :	Qualification:
Organisation :	
Address :	
Phone(s) : Office:	Mobile: Home:
e-mail :	Fax:

Sponsors Details

Name of the Sponsoring Authority:	Designation:
Organisation :	
GSTIN Number:	
Address :	
	Pincode:
Phone(s) : Office:	Mobile:
e-mail :	Fax:

Fee particulars

Amount Payable :	Mode of Payment (DD/Ch/NEFT):
Name of the Bank :	Date of Instrument/Transfer:
Instrument Number:	UTR Number for NEFT

Medical Insurance:

Name of the Insurance Agency	Policy Number	Validity upto
Note: Coverage should be available in Hyderabad, India.		

Signature and Official Seal of the Sponsoring Authority:

NOTE: Forward nomination form to: **Mr. G. Sreenivasa Reddy, Programmes Officer,** Administrative Staff College of India, Bella   Vista, Hyderabad-500 082. Phone: 0091-40-66534247, 66533000, Mobile: 9246203535, Fax: 0091-40-66534356, e-mail: **poffice@asci.org.in**