

Web Application Security Test Report

Indian Trade Portal

Test URL:

<https://test.indiantradeportal.in/>

<https://test.indiantradeportal.in/20itp14/>

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1 Executive Summary

Purpose

CyberQ was asked to conduct a Web Application Security Test on the application provided by E2E Research Service Pvt Ltd. Details were provided to the extent mentioned in "Scope of Work". The testing was carried out from CyberQ Consulting Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi. The objective of this testing was to ensure the security of the network and web server from external threats through the web application.

The audit was carried on the staging URL: <https://test.indiantradeportal.in/>, <https://test.indiantradeportal.in/20itp14/>.

The scope of the project was limited to find out the vulnerable areas of the Web application. Exploiting the vulnerabilities was out of scope for the tests.

Authority

The Web Application Security Test was conducted under the authority of Mr.Chandra Nath Som of FIEO.

Auditor

Ashwini Srivastava

3 Scope of Work

The audit was carried on the staging server URL: <https://test.indiantradeportal.in/>, <https://test.indiantradeportal.in/20itp14/>. The scope of the project was limited to find out the vulnerable areas of the Web application. Exploiting the vulnerabilities was out of scope for the tests.

4 Table of Findings

The following key findings support our assessment of the weaknesses associated with the application:-

Sl. No.	Severity	Vulnerability Description	Level-1	Interim-1
1	High	The password between server and client is being passed in clear text.	Open	Closed
2	High	No client or server side input validation has been implemented; This test successfully embedded a script in the response, which will be executed once the page is loaded in the user's browser. Cross Site Scripting attack is possible.	Open	Open (Patch throughout the application)
3	High	An .exe file can be uploaded. In this case it will be possible to upload unwanted self executing files to the server, which may be harmful for the server and the application. There should be a check on the file size as well. Also as this file upload feature is provided to general public anyone can knowingly or unknowingly upload a file infected by viruses and worms.	Closed	Open (Patch throughout the application)
4	High	Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF) attack is possible Which forces a logged-on victim's browser to send a request to a vulnerable web application, which then performs the chosen action on behalf of the victim.	Closed	Closed
5	Medium	Improper Error Handling in the application.	Open	Open (Patch throughout the application)

Sl. No.	Severity	Vulnerability Description	Level-1	Interim-1
6	Medium	Server Errors are displayed to the user on giving invalid input.	Open	Open (Patch throughout the application)
7	Medium	Application allows to user to set very simple password. Password complexity is not implemented.	Open	Open
8	Medium	While changing password, there is no check on password history. This allows the user to change the password to his previous password.	Closed	Open
9	Medium	It is possible to view the sensitive information by fetching the page from the cache option of the browser.	Closed	Open (Patch throughout the application)
10	Medium	Http Only flag is not set.	Closed	Open
11	Medium	The Security answer between server and client is being passed in clear text.	Closed	Closed
12	Medium	The application has the provision for windows to remember the password to the application.	Closed	Closed
13	Medium	Application not terminating the session once directed to error page.	Open	Open (Patch throughout the application)

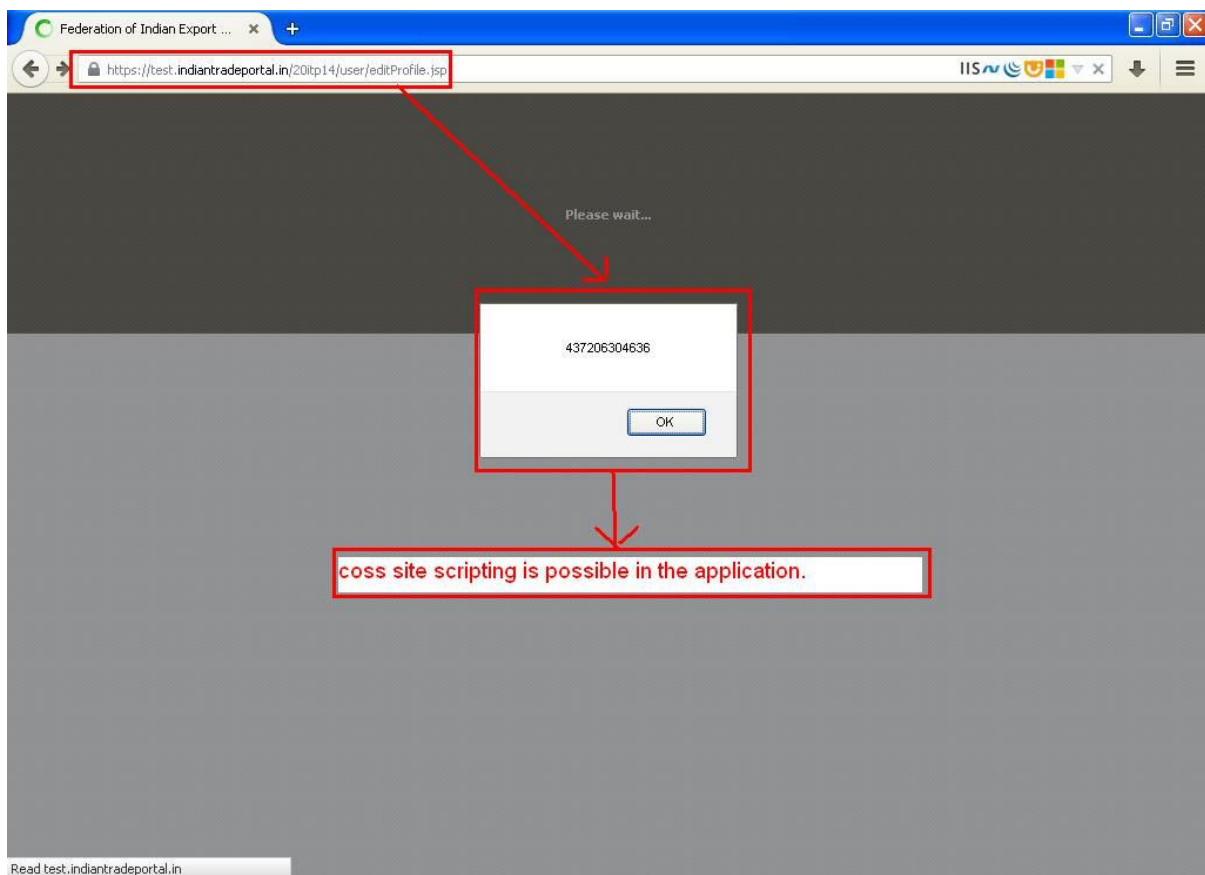
Sl. No.	Severity	Vulnerability Description	Level-1	Interim-1
14	Medium	Application has a provision to browse authenticated page through back button.	Not Found	Open (Patch throughout the application)
15	Medium	The Salt length is too short and not as per the NIC guidelines.	Not Found	Open
16	Medium	The salting processes is not as per the OWASP guidelines.	Not Found	Open
17	Medium	Session timeout is not implemented in application.	Not Found	Open (Patch throughout the application)

Finding No. 2

Description: No client or server side input validation has been implemented; this test successfully embedded a script in the response, which will be executed once the page is loaded in the user's browser. **Cross Site Scripting attack is possible.**

Recommendation: The input data should be validated for special characters both in value fields and in URL. Application should not save scripts in the database. Validation at the server end is mandatory.

Screen shots/Evidence:



Finding No. 3

Description: An .exe file can be uploaded. In this case it will be possible to upload unwanted self executing files to the server, which may be harmful for the server and the application. There should be a check on the file size as well. Also as this file upload feature is provided to general public anyone can knowingly or unknowingly upload a file infected by viruses and worms.

Recommendation: The application should not provide this facility of file upload to general public as the file upload feature is susceptible to many vulnerabilities and attacks. Only if it is extremely necessary this facility should be provided. In this case also the application should not allow any executable or malicious files to be uploaded into the database. The header information should be checked for to see the content and type of file. The file size should also be checked so that users do not upload large files which would eat up the server space.

Finding No. 5

Description: Improper error handling.

Recommendation: The application should validate input and trap all errors and give customized message to the user. Validation at the server end is mandatory.

Screen shots/Evidence:



the application do not maintain a customized error landing page.

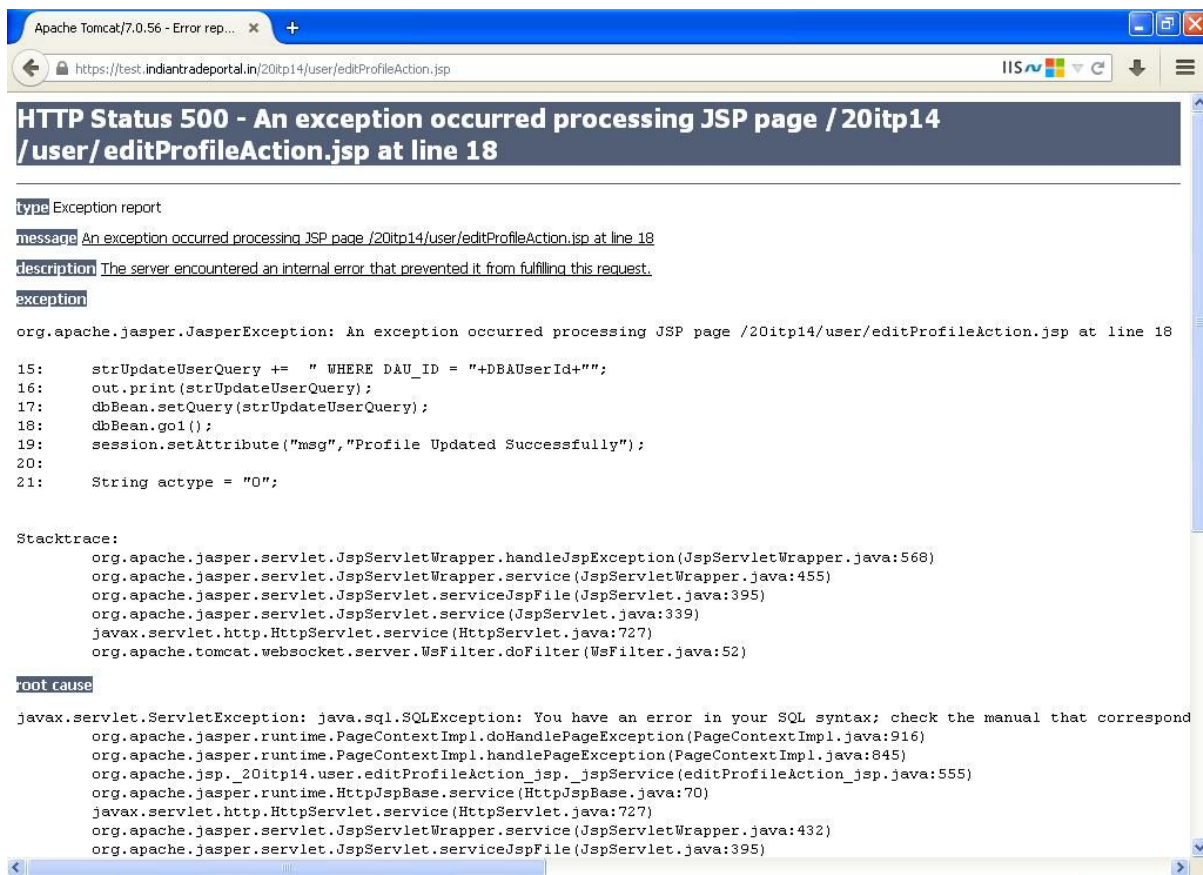
on manipulating the URL we got this error page.

Finding No. 6

Description: Server error is displayed to the user.

Recommendation: The application must maintain a customized error page for manage the errors. so that if a user landed to the error page he/she may redirected to the customized error page.

Screen shots/Evidence:



```
Apache Tomcat/7.0.56 - Error rep... x +
https://test.indiantradeportal.in/20itp14/user/editProfileAction.jsp
HTTP Status 500 - An exception occurred processing JSP page /20itp14/user/editProfileAction.jsp at line 18

type Exception report
message An exception occurred processing JSP page /20itp14/user/editProfileAction.jsp at line 18
description The server encountered an internal error that prevented it from fulfilling this request.
exception
org.apache.jasper.JasperException: An exception occurred processing JSP page /20itp14/user/editProfileAction.jsp at line 18

15:   strUpdateUserQuery += " WHERE DAU_ID = "+DBAUserId+"";
16:   out.print(strUpdateUserQuery);
17:   dbBean.setQuery(strUpdateUserQuery);
18:   dbBean.go1();
19:   session.setAttribute("msg","Profile Updated Successfully");
20:
21:   String actype = "0";

Stacktrace:
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServletWrapper.handleJspException (JspServletWrapper.java:568)
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServletWrapper.service (JspServletWrapper.java:455)
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServlet.serviceJspFile (JspServlet.java:395)
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServlet.service (JspServlet.java:339)
javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet.service (HttpServlet.java:727)
org.apache.tomcat.websocket.server.WsFilter.doFilter (WsFilter.java:52)

root cause
javax.servlet.ServletException: java.sql.SQLException: You have an error in your SQL syntax; check the manual that correspond
org.apache.jasper.runtime.PageContextImpl.doHandlePageException (PageContextImpl.java:916)
org.apache.jasper.runtime.PageContextImpl.handlePageException (PageContextImpl.java:845)
org.apache.jsp._20itp14.user.editProfileAction_jsp._jspService (editProfileAction_jsp.java:555)
org.apache.jasper.runtime.HttpJspBase.service (HttpJspBase.java:70)
javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet.service (HttpServlet.java:727)
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServletWrapper.service (JspServletWrapper.java:432)
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServlet.serviceJspFile (JspServlet.java:395)
```

Finding No. 7

Description: Improper Password complexity has been implemented in password policy. NO upper case check is implemented.

Recommendation: Passwords should have restrictions that require a minimum Size of 8 characters and complexity for the password. Complexity typically requires the use of minimum combinations of alphabetic, numeric, and/or non-alphanumeric characters in a user's password (e.g. one special character(\$,@,#,&),one upper case letter and one lower case letter and one number like Test@123).

Finding No. 8

Description: While changing password, there is no check on password history. This allows the user to change the password to his previous password. It accepts previous/old password as new password during the password change.

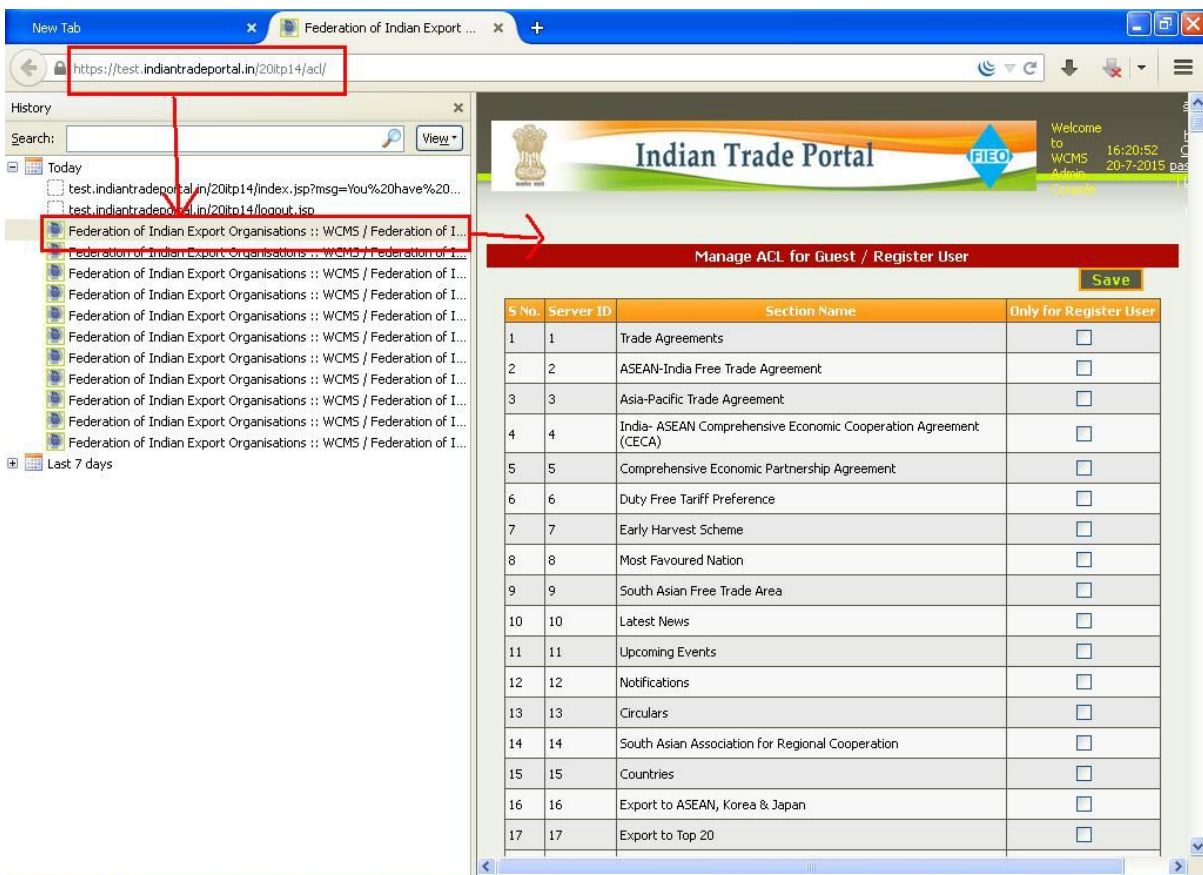
Recommendation: Users should be required to change their password periodically. Users should be prevented from reusing previous passwords. Password history should ideally be 3.

Finding No. 9

Description: It is possible to view the sensitive information by fetching the page from the cache option of the browser.

Recommendation: Cache for all pages should be cleared from server side, and also extra pages should be removed.

Screen shots/Evidence:



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `https://test.indiantradeportal.in/2014/acl/` highlighted in red. The browser's history is open, and a red arrow points from the highlighted URL to the 'Manage ACL for Guest / Register User' page. The page contains a table with columns 'S.No.', 'Server ID', 'Section Name', and 'Only for Register User'. The table lists 17 sections, including Trade Agreements, ASEAN-India Free Trade Agreement, and others.

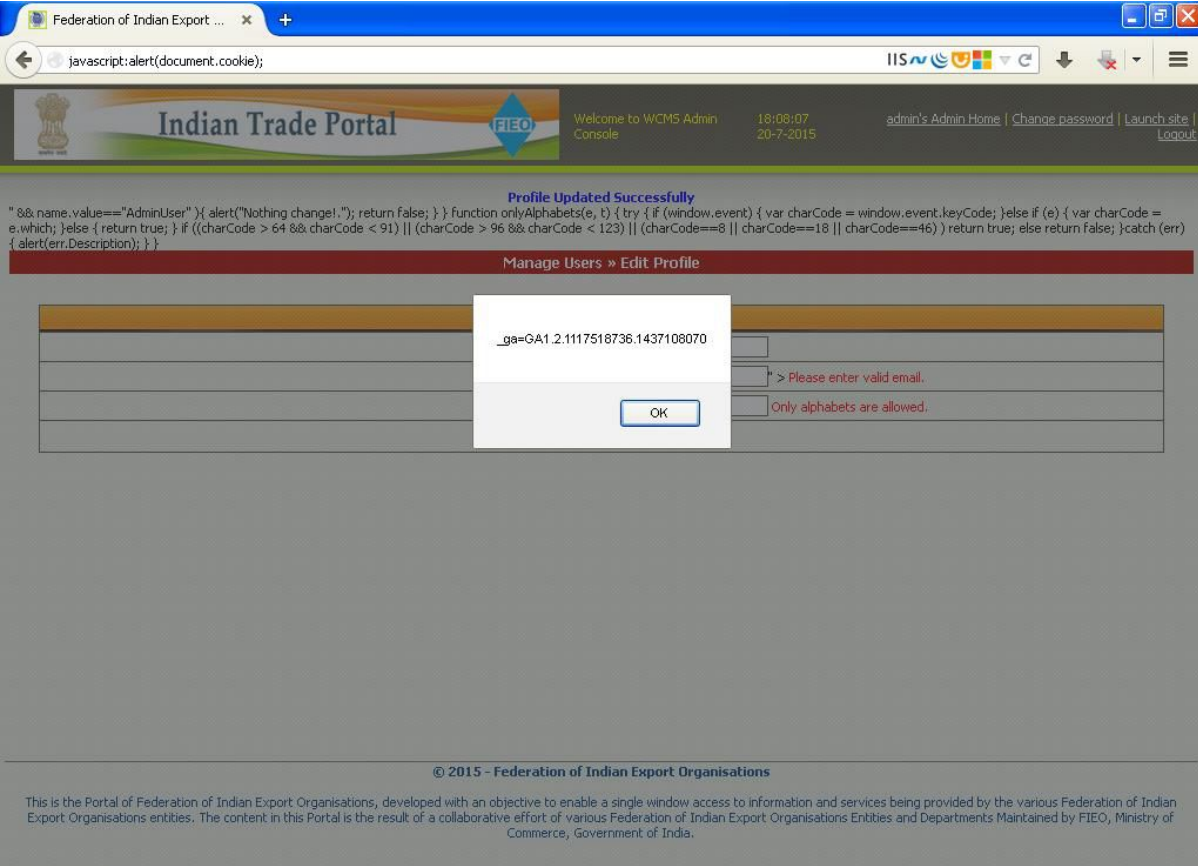
S.No.	Server ID	Section Name	Only for Register User
1	1	Trade Agreements	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	2	ASEAN-India Free Trade Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	3	Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	4	India-ASEAN Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA)	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	5	Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	6	Duty Free Tariff Preference	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	7	Early Harvest Scheme	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	8	Most Favoured Nation	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	9	South Asian Free Trade Area	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	10	Latest News	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	11	Upcoming Events	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	12	Notifications	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	13	Circulars	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	14	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	15	Countries	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	16	Export to ASEAN, Korea & Japan	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	17	Export to Top 20	<input type="checkbox"/>

Finding No. 10

Description: Http Only flag is not set. It is possible to reveal sensitive information about the authenticated cookie of a user's session.

Recommendation: Set Http Only flag value to True in websites configuration file.

Screen shots/Evidence:



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar containing the URL `javascript:alert(document.cookie);`. The page title is "Federation of Indian Export ...". The browser's developer console displays the following JavaScript code:

```
"&& name.value=="AdminUser"}{alert("Nothing change!."); return false; } } function onlyAlphabets(e, b) { try { if (window.event) { var charCode = window.event.keyCode; } else if (e) { var charCode = e.which; } else { return true; } } if ((charCode > 64 && charCode < 91) || (charCode > 96 && charCode < 123) || (charCode==8 || charCode==16 || charCode==46)) return true; else return false; } catch (err) { alert(err.Description); } }
```

The page content includes the "Indian Trade Portal" header, a "Profile Updated Successfully" message, and a "Manage Users » Edit Profile" section. A modal dialog box is displayed with the text `_ga=GA1.2.1117518736.1437108070` and an "OK" button. Below the dialog, there are input fields with error messages: "> Please enter valid email." and "Only alphabets are allowed."

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Finding No. 13

Description: Application not terminating the session once directed to error page.

Recommendation: Application must terminate its session on landing to a customized error page, user shall be asked again to enter the login credentials.

Screen shots/Evidence:



the application do not maintain a customized error landing page.

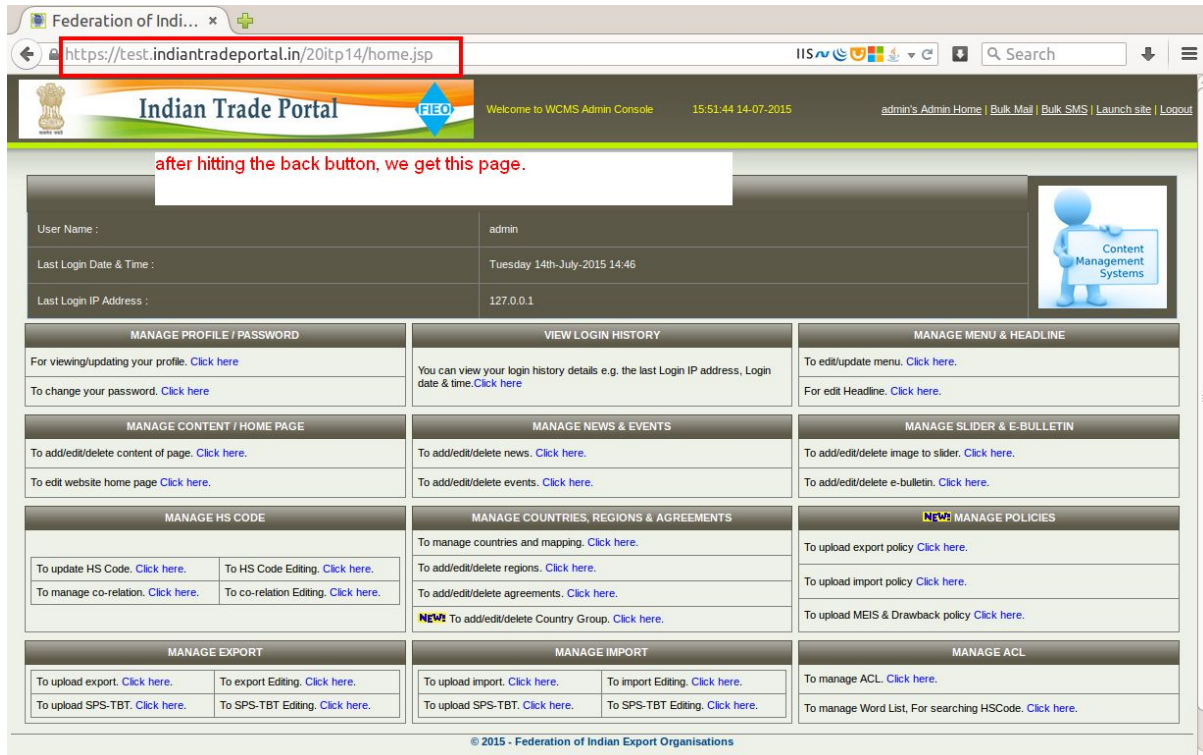
on manipulating the URL we got this error page.

Finding No. 14

Description: Application has a provision to browse authenticated page through back button.

Recommendation: Back button should be disabled.

Screen shots/Evidence:



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar containing the URL `https://test.indiantradeportal.in/20itp14/home.jsp`. A red box highlights the back button in the browser's navigation bar. Below the browser window, a text box contains the text: "after hitting the back button, we get this page." The main content of the page is the admin console for the Indian Trade Portal, displaying user information and various management options.

MANAGE PROFILE / PASSWORD		VIEW LOGIN HISTORY		MANAGE MENU & HEADLINE	
For viewing/updating your profile. Click here		You can view your login history details e.g. the last Login IP address, Login date & time. Click here		To edit/update menu. Click here	
To change your password. Click here				For edit Headline. Click here	
MANAGE CONTENT / HOME PAGE		MANAGE NEWS & EVENTS		MANAGE SLIDER & E-BULLETIN	
To add/edit/delete content of page. Click here		To add/edit/delete news. Click here		To add/edit/delete image to slider. Click here	
To edit website home page. Click here		To add/edit/delete events. Click here		To add/edit/delete e-bulletin. Click here	
MANAGE HS CODE		MANAGE COUNTRIES, REGIONS & AGREEMENTS		NEW! MANAGE POLICIES	
To update HS Code. Click here	To HS Code Editing. Click here	To manage countries and mapping. Click here		To upload export policy. Click here	
To manage co-relation. Click here	To co-relation Editing. Click here	To add/edit/delete regions. Click here		To upload import policy. Click here	
		To add/edit/delete agreements. Click here		To upload MEIS & Drawback policy. Click here	
		NEW! To add/edit/delete Country Group. Click here			
MANAGE EXPORT		MANAGE IMPORT		MANAGE ACL	
To upload export. Click here	To export Editing. Click here	To upload import. Click here	To import Editing. Click here	To manage ACL. Click here	
To upload SPS-TBT. Click here	To SPS-TBT Editing. Click here	To upload SPS-TBT. Click here	To SPS-TBT Editing. Click here	To manage Word List, For searching HSCode. Click here	

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The screenshot shows the 'Indian Trade Portal' admin console. The browser address bar contains 'https://test.indiantradeportal.in/20itp14/home.jsp'. The page header includes the FIEO logo, a welcome message, the current time (15:51:44 14-07-2015), and navigation links for 'admin's Admin Home', 'Bulk Mail', 'Bulk SMS', 'Launches', and 'Logout'. A red box highlights the 'Logout' link, with an arrow pointing to it and the text 'Click the log out button'. The main content area is titled 'USER LOGIN DETAILS' and shows the following information:

User Name :	admin
Last Login Date & Time :	Tuesday 14th July-2015 14:46
Last Login IP Address :	127.0.0.1

Below the login details are several management sections, each with a 'Click here' link:

- MANAGE PROFILE / PASSWORD:** For viewing/updating your profile. To change your password.
- VIEW LOGIN HISTORY:** You can view your login history details e.g. the last Login IP address, Login date & time.
- MANAGE MENU & HEADLINE:** To edit/update menu. For edit Headline.
- MANAGE CONTENT / HOME PAGE:** To add/edit/delete content of page. To edit website home page.
- MANAGE NEWS & EVENTS:** To add/edit/delete news. To add/edit/delete events.
- MANAGE SLIDER & E-BULLETIN:** To add/edit/delete image to slider. To add/edit/delete e-bulletin.
- MANAGE HS CODE:** To update HS Code. To manage co-relation.
- MANAGE COUNTRIES, REGIONS & AGREEMENTS:** To manage countries and mapping. To add/edit/delete regions. To add/edit/delete agreements. **NEW!** To add/edit/delete Country Group.
- MANAGE POLICIES:** To upload export policy. To upload import policy. To upload MEIS & Drawback policy.
- MANAGE EXPORT:** To upload export. To export Editing. To upload SPS-TBT. To SPS-TBT Editing.
- MANAGE IMPORT:** To upload import. To import Editing. To upload SPS-TBT. To SPS-TBT Editing.
- MANAGE ACL:** To manage ACL. To manage Word List, For searching HSCode.

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The screenshot shows the login page of the Indian Trade Portal after a successful logout. The browser address bar contains 'https://test.indiantradeportal.in/20itp14/index.jsp?msg=You have been successfully logged out.'. The page header includes the text 'Welcome to Admin Control panel'. The main content area features a message box with the following instructions:

1. as we have been successfully been logged out.
2. hit the back buton of the browser.

Below the message box is the FIEO logo and the text 'FEDERATION OF INDIAN EXPORT ORGANISATIONS Set up by Ministry of Commerce, Government of India ISO 9001:2008 Certified'. To the right is a login form titled 'Federation of Indian Export Organisations' with the following fields:

Enter Following Information:

User name:

Password:

Please enter the string shown in the image:

Forgot Password? [You have been successfully logged out.](#)

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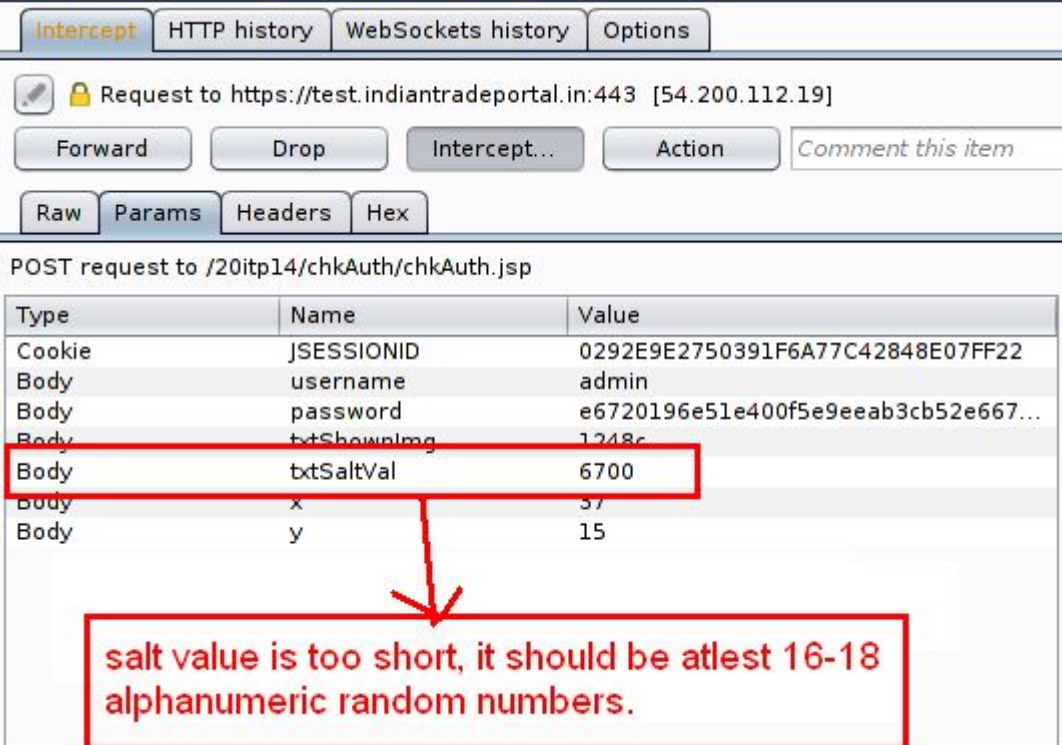
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Finding No. 15

Description: The Salt length is too short and not as per the NIC guidelines.

Recommendation: Salt length must be at least 16-18 digits of length. It will be ideal that salt can be alpha numeric too.

Screen shots/Evidence:



Intercept HTTP history WebSockets history Options

Request to https://test.indiantradeportal.in:443 [54.200.112.19]

Forward Drop Intercept... Action Comment this item

Raw Params Headers Hex

POST request to /20itp14/chkAuth/chkAuth.jsp

Type	Name	Value
Cookie	JSESSIONID	0292E9E2750391F6A77C42848E07FF22
Body	username	admin
Body	password	e6720196e51e400f5e9eeab3cb52e667...
Body	txtShownImg	1248c
Body	txtSaltVal	6700
Body	x	37
Body	y	15

salt value is too short, it should be atleast 16-18 alphanumeric random numbers.

Finding No. 16

Description: The salting processes is not as per the OWASP guidelines. What is actually happening that the password is converted into a MD5 hash, and the random number(salt) is converted to MD5 hash. These both the has are now been concatenate with a hyphen "-" symbol.

Recommendation:

The proper salting process is explained below step by step:

1. When a client requests for the login page, the server generates a random number, the salt, and sends it to the client along with the page.
2. A JavaScript code on the client computes the hash of the password entered by the user.
3. It then concatenates the salt to the hash and then re-computes the hash.
4. This result is then sent to the server.
5. The server picks the hash of the password from its database, concatenates the salt and computes the hash.
6. If the user entered the correct password these two hashes should match.
7. The server compares the two and if they match, the user is authenticated.

Screen shots/Evidence:

The screenshot shows a login form for the Federation of Indian Export Organisations. The user name is 'admin' and the password is masked. The password parameter in the HTTP request is 'f924d5720887cd9d8fd894600dd946dd'. The salt parameter is '135593dd9bc3d98e8d8e71d788c9dda6'. The MD5 hashes of these values are shown in the evidence section.

Input	MD5 Hash	MD5 Checksum
f924d5720887cd9d8fd894600dd946dd	md5 (f924d5720887cd9d8fd894600dd946dd)	f924d5720887cd9d8fd894600dd946dd
135593dd9bc3d98e8d8e71d788c9dda6	md5 (135593dd9bc3d98e8d8e71d788c9dda6)	135593dd9bc3d98e8d8e71d788c9dda6

Finding No. 17

Description: Session timeout is not implemented in application.

Recommendation: Session timeout (ideally 15 minutes) should be implemented in application.