Nasscom sets up cyber security task

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Information technology industry body Nasscom and Data Security Council of India (DSCI) has launched a task force that aims to build India as a global hub for providing cyber security solutions.

Nasscom Cyber Security Task Force, over a 12-week period, will study the Indian cyber security ecosystem to identify issues and challenges and develop an action plan to address the priority issues.

It aims to grow the share of cyber security industry from 1 per cent to 10 per cent by 2025 as well as having a trained base of one million certified and skilled professionals and building over 100 successful security product companies from India.

The task force members, led by NIIT Chairman Rajendra Pawar, will include industry leaders across IT-BPM, internet, banking, telecom as well as representatives from government and academia.

"In line with the Prime Minister's vision of making India a cyber security expert nation and his recent exhortation to the industry, we have created the cyber security task force," Pawar said.

The task force aims to make India a global hub for providing cyber security solutions including cyber security products and services, he added.

In March this year, while speaking at Nasscom's 25 year celebration, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had asked the Indian IT industry to innovate solutions to counter the global menace of cyber security.

"The task force will focus on the four key pillars of industry development, policy enablement, technology development and skill development," Pawar said.

It will also identify possible intervention opportunities for the Indian IT industry in global cyber security space and bring together stakeholders from across the board to develop technologies and address the global market requirements.