

ABOUT THE BOOKLET



Greetings from UCO Bank

In today's world, the internet and smartphones have become like our best buddies, helping us connect with friends, learn new things, and have fun. But, just like we take care of ourselves in the real world, it's important to be cautious and smart in the online world too.

Imagine your online life is like a garden, full of flowers (fun stuff) and some thorns (cyber threats). This **Cyber Safety Booklet** is your guide to help you enjoy the digital garden while avoiding those thorns.

With the internet being a big playground, we need to play safely. This booklet is like your superhero cape, providing you with tips and tricks to stay safe from online villains. Don't keep all these cyber knowledge gems to yourself! Be a digital superhero not just for yourself but for your family and friends too. Share the cyber awareness messages from this booklet with your parents, friends, and relatives to create a safer online space for everyone.

Let's embark on this cyber safety journey together and make our online adventures secure and enjoyable!

STAY CYBER SAFE, BE CYBER SMART!

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OTP FRAUD





Oh No!!!! **Cvbercriminals**

VU-ABBANK

Dear Customer. Your Account is debited with Rs. 9999.00. Avl Balance is

Ok ok.. My Card Number is XXXX....

posing as Bank / Govt. Officials, call people & ask for sensitive information for siphoning off money from their Bank Account.

It's 2500XX

Please tell me the confirmation code sent on your mobile.

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Best Practices

- Do not trust or respond to any unknown caller.
- Never share the ATM card number, CVV, PIN, OTP or any \Rightarrow other sensitive or confidential banking credentials with anyone.
- Remember, Bank never asks for Card number / CVV /PIN / OTP / Password or any other sensitive or confidential credentials.

VM-ABBANK

Dear Customer.

2500XX is the OTP for txn of Rs. 9999.00

valid for 3minutes.

at XYZ Retail Ltd. It is

Please do not share it

FAKE SMS



Fraudulent text messages (SMS) are sent by fraudsters to individuals to trick them into revealing personal / sensitive information.



Fraudster sends fake messages containing malicious link

User opens the message and clicks on the link

The link either takes user to fraudulent website or malware gets downloaded on device

Indicators of Fake SMS



- ⇒ Do not trust or respond to unknown messages which are too good to be true.
- ⇒ Avoid clicking on unknown links.

FAKE EMAILS



Fraudster sends deceptive emails as Phishing Bait to capture sensitive / confidential information of user.











Show Something Exciting

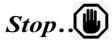


Respond



Negative Consequences

Do not Click, Respond or Download!!!









Best Practices

CHECK FOR SPELLING MISTAKES OR BAD GRAMMAR

DON'T OPEN ATTACHMENTS FROM PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW

> NEVER SHARE PERSONAL INFORMATION OVER EMAIL

DON'T TRUST DISPLAY NAMES

ALWAYS CHECK AN EMAIL ADDRESS BEFORE OPENING



HOVER OVER A LINK, BEFORE YOU CLICK

BEWARE OF THREATS OR FEAR-BASED PHRASES



UPI FRAUD







What? Why should I enter PIN to receive money?

We should never enter our UPI PIN to receive money. I know, PIN is required for sending money and not for receiving it.



Best Practices for

UPI SAFETY

- Never approve fund transfer requests from unknown UPI ids
- Never download unknown Apps by any means
- UPI PIN is only required for sending money, not receiving it



QR CODE FRAUDS



Cyber Threats hiding in QR codes



QRLjacking

Fraudsters leaving malicious QR codes on public places like walls, buildings and also computer screens that direct users to a malicious site.



Quishing

Fake QR Code directs unsuspecting victims to a fake version of a popular website and prompts users to enter their login details.



Free Wi-Fi set up

Cybercriminals often set up free Wi-Fi network for anyone that scans the QR Code. By this network fraudsters can silently steal sensitive information.



UPI related

Fraudsters sent malicious QR Code through Social Media, Emails, SMSs prompting for "SCAN & WIN Money". Scanning leads to debit money from account.

Tips to Avoid QR Code Fraud



Avoid
scanning QR Code
for receiving money,
it needs to be scanned
ONLY for making
payments



Always use a secure QR code scanner or a trusted validator app for scanning OR Codes

PROTECT

Be cautious of QR codes received from unknown or suspicious emails, messages or websites

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OR CODE SCAMS

Exercise caution when scanning QR codes that promise deep discounts, freebies or prizes



Before scanning, take a close look at the QR code for any signs of tampering or alterations

FAKE ADVERTISEMENTS



Beware of Fraudulent Advertisements with FREE winning offers!

Fraudster may lure you with an unexpected cash Winning Offer in an Advertisement. Do not fall prey to it. Avoid clicking any links over it and always close or skip these type of Ads.





Social Media FAKE Ads!

Do not fall prey to Deep discounts and lucrative offers posted on Social Media. It might be Fake to to lure customers.

ALWAYS VERIFY CREDENTIALS AND READ REVIEWS OF THE SHOPPING PORTAL CAREFULLY.



Beware of Pop-up Advertisements

Avoid clicking links on malicious advertisement pop-ups, it can harm your device with malicious programs.

Always skip/close those Pop-up Ads window or use Ad Blocker to block them.

FAKE APPS





DO NOT INSTALL UNKNOWN APPS, IF ANYONE ASKS, FOR CLAIMING REWARD, CASHBACK OR TRANSACTION DISPUTE SETTLEMENT.

Best Practices



- Download apps from official stores only.
- Avoid installing apps through links in email, SMS, social media etc
- Read reviews of apps and their developers before downloading
- Review and manage permissions for downloaded applications
- Uninstall apps not being in use
- Use updated antivirus solution

MOBILE DEVICE SECURITY Keep your mobile device secure. It contains passwords, data, photos and other sensitive information. Update device Delete unused apps **Download apps from** Password protect verified app stores your screen Monitor app Install antivirus permissions **Connect to** Don't Jailbreak or secure Wi-Fi root your phone Infected USB charging station is used to compromise connected devices Beware of **Juice Jacking** Charge from electrical sockets Try to carry a power bank Use a 'CHARGE ONLY' cable **4 Disable 'DATA TRANSFER'** feature while charging **NEVER Charge your phones** in public places. Hackers have many tricks to scam you. Be Aware Stay Safe

SECURE YOUR PASSWORD



Beware of Credential Stuffing

Cybercriminals may use stolen usernames and passwords from one site to access other accounts of the same user.



Tips to protect your PASSWORD



Password are like socks, change them regularly



Never write passwords on paper or on devices



Memorize your password



Beware of Shoulder Surfers at public places while entering passwords



Making password complex increases difficulty of attacks & are hard to guess 66666

Use different passwords for different accounts

Passphrase
My Car is Blue
Password
mYc@Ri5b!Ue

If hard to remember password, switch to passphrase



Never share password with anyone

LATEST CYBER SCAMS



Stay Vigilant against

Digital Arrest

In recent incidents, cybercriminals posing as police officials have been alleging unsuspecting victims in fictitious money-laundering cases, manipulating and extorting money by threatening the victims with fake cases and interrogation!

- Be wary of unsolicited calls claiming legal issues or urgent threats, especially if they demand immediate action or money transfer.
- If threatened with legal action, verify with the relevant authorities before complying with any instructions or transferring funds.
- Always ask for the Official notice, other necessary details etc. & directly communicate with the local police station for verification / clarification.
- Refrain from sharing personal, financial, or Aadhar card details over the phone unless you can confirm the legitimacy of the call.

Always remember, real police authorities don't question individuals digitally. Official discussions happen through legitimate or formal channels, not through random online intimidation or coercion.

Guard Your Biometric Identity

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To protect your
Aadhaar, preferably use
masked Aadhaar
number generated from
official UIDAI portal

Lock your
Biometric or
Aadhaar through
official UIDAI
website or
mAadhaar app



LATEST CYBER SCAMS





Beware of Task Based Job Fraud through Video Liking

- ➤ Never trust / respond to unknown messages offering easy make money for just clicking "like"
- Avoid online transactions involving unknown parties
- Avoid clicking on suspicious links
- Never engage in user prompted tasks/actions at the behest of any stranger
- Never pay advance money as acceptance of job offer
- Refer authentic job portals / official websites / apps for job offer related information

BEWARE OF FEDEX INTERNATIONAL COURIER SCAM

Cybercriminal claiming to be International
Courier Service Co. Executive may defraud
individuals in the name of detection of Banned
Narcotic Drugs in their parcel



- Do not make money transfer on the basis of urgency, trust, fear, intimidation, pressure tactics etc.
 - Always verify the information directly from the local police station mentioned.

ONLINE SHOPPING SAFETY TIPS



while ordering from e-commerce platforms, there may be fake sellers online who may not deliver your order at all.

Use only trusted websites to shop





Do not fall prey to deep discounts on random websites/ads which are too good to be true



Avoid saving your card details or bank details on random websites / apps



Read customer reviews, ratings about products and vendors



Use only trusted or reputed online shopping sites / Apps



Check terms and conditions to ensure the product has clear return and refund policy



Always log out after completion of the session

SAFE HANDLING OF SOCIAL MEDIA Should I add this stranger on social media? Let's be friends! Be Careful while Accepting Friend Request from Strangers Cyber criminals often create fake social media profile to befriend potential victims for obtaining their confidential data or gain trust to cause harm. Be Be Social Safe **Block profiles Never share** Log out after from public credentials with each session searches anyone **Never mention Never accept Never click on** home or work friend requests suspicious links address from strangers



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Keep the profile privacy settings at the most

restricted levels

Limit your share & be

cautious about what you

are sharing





Immediately Dial 1930 for assistance & Register your complaint at

www.cybercrime.gov.in

The complainant must provide

- ⇒ Mobile Number
- ⇒ Name of the Bank and Account Number from which amount has been debited
- ⇒ Transaction details (ID and Date of Transaction)
- ⇒ Debit / Credit Card Number in case of fraud made by using Card
- ⇒ Screen shot of transaction or any other image related to fraud, if available





Empower Your Cyber Journey

Be a CyberSafe Champion

