

## **Listen, do you want to know a secret?**

Dear Friends,

How safe are your secrets? Especially your confidential and classifieds? Are information of vital interest to you and your organization openly accessible by your competitors? Are you even aware of the fact that you are open to a host of malicious attacks? How do this malware infect your systems leading to information/data theft?

As we go electronic with a vengeance and get more and more linked in, we are also getting increasingly open to hostile attacks and are being snooped on like never before. Yet, for most corporates, awareness about the threats and possible means of firewalling the system from outside, unsolicited prying is abysmally low. Protection seldom reaches beyond the mandatory virus scanner. And the proliferation of a plethora of pirated programmes continues its phishing games quietly.

It is in this background that we take tried to string together the current issue. Information security and data theft. We have also chosen the neighboring Nation of Bangladesh to turn our arch lights on. Bangladesh, which too has elected its own government with an overwhelming margin is quietly giving shape to its economic agenda, an agenda that will help it take on the menace of poverty and prepare the ground for future development. Economic development in which we from India can actively participate. And fight an epic battle against hunger, a battle that has the potential of liberating Bangladesh the second time over.

We are overwhelmed by the feedback that we receive from many of you. And it has been our constant endeavor to incorporate your suggestions to the best of our abilities. From this issue, based on your inputs, we are starting two brand new columns one on shipping which will be contributed by Mr. Surojit Banerjee a mariner per excellence and discuss shipping, ports, freight rates, ship building and breaking, chartering, stevedoring and all related issues.

The second column is for all the sons of Bacchus, hedonists who like to seek the woes of the day away. Here we want to present to you the finest of spirits from around the world and regale you with the many legends and tales that are as integral to them as their taste and palette.

The other regular columns and features too are all there. And we hope that you will not only enjoy your read, but will also find the thought and content relevant and useful.

Do write back. And, to coin a term, let's celebrate life.

Happy reading,

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