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On-Location Training Programme on Digital Fortification for Rural Banks: Advanced Cyber Risk Management & Regulatory Compliance

(16 to 18 November 2026)

Venue: Hyderabad

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Introduction: As rural banks accelerate digital transformation through core banking platforms, mobile banking, UPI transactions, cloud services, and digital lending channels, cyber threats have become a significant operational and strategic risk. Limited cybersecurity resources, legacy infrastructure, increasing third-party dependencies, and growing regulatory expectations make rural financial institutions particularly vulnerable to cyberattacks.

Digital fortification requires a comprehensive approach that integrates cyber risk management, regulatory compliance, technological resilience, and organizational awareness. This framework enables rural banks to protect customer assets, maintain operational continuity, and strengthen trust in the digital banking ecosystem.

With a view to equip the Senior Officers and IT officers of RRBs and Rural Cooperative Banks on the above aspects, BIRD Mangaluru is conducting an on-location training program at State Bank Institute of Technology(SBIT), Hyderabad from 16 to 18 November 2026.

Objectives: By the end of the programme, the participants would be able to: -

- Understand advanced cyber risk management frameworks and RBI/CERT-In compliance requirements.
- Implement proactive strategies for digital fortification in banking systems.
- Gain hands-on exposure to risk assessment tools and compliance audits.
- Learn best practices for regulatory alignment, including RBI's IT Security Framework and DPDP Act.
- Develop incident response and resilience planning for cyber threats.

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Duration: 3 days (16 to 18 November 2026) - The programme will commence at 09:30 hrs on 16th November 2026 and will conclude at 17:30 hrs on 18th November 2026.

Participant Profile / Target Group: Senior Officers/ IT Officers of Regional Rural Banks and Rural Cooperative Banks (StCBs/ DCCBs)

Methodology: Classroom lectures, Interactive sessions and Group discussion.

Fee & Mode of Payment: The programme is sponsored by NABARD, hence **no participation fee** is collected towards boarding, lodging and to impart training. Banks / Institutions forwarding the nominations shall bear "to and fro" travelling cost of their participants attending the programme.

Venue and Accommodation: The programme is residential and will be conducted at **State Bank Institute of Technology (SBIT)**
'Bank Sanchar Bhavan', 8-2-695,
Road No.12, Banjara Hills,
Hyderabad – 500 034
Contact No.: +91 40 23388203.

Participants are eligible to avail accommodation **(Twin Sharing basis)** in the SBIT campus from the evening of 15th November 2026 till the evening of 18th November 2026. Participants will have to make their own travel arrangements. No cost in this regard will be borne by NABARD. Participants may make their travel plans in such a manner as to reach the venue well in advance and report before the commencement of the programme on the first day and also leave after completion of the programme on the concluding day.

It may please be noted that family member/s or guest/s of the participants will not be allowed to stay at the venue. Prior permission may be obtained by the participants for overstay, in case of any unforeseen circumstances or emergencies only. In such cases, overstay is permitted, subject to availability of accommodation and additional cost charged by SBIT, if any, will have to be borne by the respective participant.

Nomination and Inquiries: The nominations may please be forwarded to reach us at the earliest. The registration is on ***"first come first served"*** basis and will be accepted for the first 30 candidates. **The nominated persons are requested to report for the training programme only on receipt of confirmation of their nominations by us.**

CONFIRMATIONS WILL BE SENT BY E-MAIL ONLY. Nominating institution is requested to furnish **primary as well as alternate email addresses** to avoid loss of communication during transmission.

Nominating institutions are requested to furnish primary as well as alternate email addresses to avoid loss of communication during transmission. To avoid the seats falling vacant, we request you to ensure participation by the person nominated by you. In case the nominated official/s is/are unable to attend the programme due to any unavoidable situations, please ensure substituting such nominations with other suitable officials under advice to us or please advise us well in advance so that we shall allow such seats to other needy persons/ institutions.

Nominations: You are requested to enter the details of the officers whom you wish to nominate through the Microsoft Form link given or scan the QR code. If you are nominating multiple officers, please submit individual responses.

https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/DWfy6J3zKj

About BIRD

Bankers Institute of Rural Development (BIRD), Mangaluru, an ISO 9001:2015 certified Institution (formerly known as Regional Training College, NABARD, Mangalore) is established by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) and is engaged in training and capacity building of the officials of the Rural Financial Institutions viz., Commercial Banks (CBs), Regional Rural Banks (RRBs), Cooperative Banks, Government and Non-Government organizations particularly in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Tamil Nadu. The Institute organises in-house and on-location training programmes, besides customised programmes for banks, workshops/seminars and studies of current interest, etc. During the last 42 years, nearly 81,000 officers of various client institutions have benefitted through programmes conducted by the Institute. The Institute is also involved in conducting International Programmes.

BIRD has a very good ambience for academic pursuits, necessary infrastructure, learning aids including an excellent library and exclusive computer lab with internet facility. Participants are provided single occupancy, self-contained air-conditioned rooms.

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