

CIOA CHRONICLES

Dear Esteemed Members & Partners,

Welcome to the June 2026 edition of CIOA Chronicles.

Technology is evolving at an unprecedented pace, and so is the cyber threat landscape. While AI is opening new possibilities for innovation, productivity, and growth, it is also enabling cybercriminals to launch more sophisticated, faster, and harder-to-detect attacks. As organisations become increasingly digital and interconnected, the attack surface continues to expand.

Cybersecurity can therefore no longer be viewed as just an IT responsibility or a compliance exercise. It has become a business imperative and a boardroom priority. Building cyber resilience requires organisations to strengthen their people, processes, and technology while staying agile in the face of emerging threats.

This edition is dedicated to this important conversation. Through the articles and perspectives shared here,

we hope to help our community stay informed, prepared, and ahead of the curve.

For those who want to go deeper, we invite you to join us at the **India Cyber Security Symposium** on **4 July 2026** in **New Delhi** – a gathering of India's foremost technology and security leaders, organised around a theme that captures exactly what this moment demands: **AI Secured. Secured AI.**

Read on. And do join us in Delhi.

With Warm Regards,

Umesh Mehta

President, Governing Body
CIO Association

IN THIS EDITION

Build. Run. Govern. AI at Scale

Architecting the Sovereign AI Foundation

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True resilience: moving beyond frameworks and checklists

By **Sudhir Kanvinde**, Chief Information Officer, The Supreme Industries Ltd Member, Governing Body of CIO Association

Modern organizations operate in environments defined by uncertainty, interdependence, and rapid technological change. Cyber-attacks operational failures, misinformation, supply-chain shocks, financial volatility, and reputational crises rarely unfold in predictable ways.

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When the Call Came: A chronicle of Quiet Leadership in a Crisis

By **Geetika Rajpal**, Vice President & Regional Head IT,
Elgi Equipments Limited

The morning had started with the usual cadence: coffee, emails, a quick glance at dashboards that reassured more than alarmed. Systems were stable. Operations were on track. But then the phone rang.



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Thinking Matters for Resiliency

Why Systems Thinking matters for Resiliency in the Age of AI?

By **Vinayak Godse**, CEO, Data Security Council of India

Resiliency emerged as a distinct strategic domain, extending beyond cyber security. While security focuses on preventing, detecting, and responding to security attacks, resiliency demands organizations continue to function, adapt, recover, and retain trust even when prevention fails.

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Why 4 July Is the Most Important Date on India's Cybersecurity Calendar

India Cyber Security Symposium 2026, New Delhi
Theme: AI Secured. Secured AI.

There has never been a more consequential moment to bring India's cybersecurity leadership into one room.

Enterprises are adopting AI at a pace that outstrips their ability to secure it. The regulatory floor is rising – the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, RBI's IT governance directives, SEBI's cybersecurity directions, and boards are asking questions that CISOs must now answer in language that goes far beyond technical risk.



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Heathy Habits

Gut problems in your golden years

Maintaining a high-fiber diet, proper hydration, regular exercise, and managing medication side effects are critical for management, while persistent symptoms like unexplained weight loss or bleeding require prompt medical attention.

Written by Anirudh Vashisht



Contributed by Happiesthealth.com

TREND WATCH

The CISO Rises: From IT Risk to Board Agenda

How cybersecurity stopped being an IT problem – and became the defining business risk of our era

When a major Indian enterprise suffers a data breach today, the sequence of consequences arrives with brutal simultaneity.



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Spotlight of Past Events

A look back at the moments, conversations, and leadership exchanges that shaped the last few weeks across CIO Association chapters.

Chapter Bespoke Events

Punjab



Future Forward 5th Edition

5th April, 2026

Chennai



Puthandu Cloud Conclave 2026

9th April, 2026
Partner: Precision Group & AWS

Pune



CXO 360

24th - 26th April, 2026

Pune



AI in Reality

10th May, 2026
Partner: ST Telemedia Global Data Centres

Kolkata



CIO Elevate 2026

16th May, 2026

Mumbai



Global File System: In the Era of AI & Hybrid Cloud

16th May, 2026
Partner: Future Businesstech India, CTERA, and Cloudian Inc.

Punjab



Future Forward 6th Edition

17th May, 2026
Partner: RUCKUS Networks and Fore Security Solutions

Chennai



Digital Resilience through Splunk AI

19th May, 2026
Partners: Splunk

Anniversary Events

Kochi



God's Own CIO Conclave

25th April, 2026

Gujarat



CIO Synergy Conference 2026

9th May, 2026

Chennai



ChennaiAI: SILICON KONNECT 2026

9th May, 2026

Forthcoming Events

We invite partners to collaborate in these events and showcase their solutions to technology leaders, foster innovation, and create powerful brand engagement opportunities across the CIO community.

India Cybersecurity Symposium 2026

Delhi



INDIA CYBERSECURITY SYMPOSIUM 2026
AI SECURED, SECURED AI
ANNUAL EVENT
4th July, 2026 | 10 am onwards
JW Marriott, New Delhi

India's Largest Convergence of CIOs, CISOs and DPOs
Where Buyers, Decision-Makers, and Security Leaders Meet

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- 300+ CIOs, CISOs and DPOs across industries
- 25+ Cutting Edge Technology Strategies
- 40+ Distinguished Industry Experts & Thought Leaders
- 12+ Strategic Sessions on Emerging Tech Landscapes

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TECH SAGA

Pune



TECHSAGA 2026
CIO Association Pune Chapter proudly presents a Tribute Edition of
SATURDAY 11th JULY, 2026 | HYATT REGENCY PUNE
Largest gathering of technology visionaries in the region
150+ CIOs, CTOs, CDOs, and CISOs
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TECH Royal

Rajasthan



RAJASTHAN TECH ROYAL SUMMIT
12th SEPTEMBER, 2026 | JAIPUR

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Manufacturing SIG

Gujarat



CIO ASSOCIATION'S
Special Interest Group (SIG) Manufacturing invites you to
MANUFACTURING 2030:
Building Intelligent, Resilient & Sustainable Enterprises
17 October, 2026 | Ahmedabad
Hosted by CIO Association Gujarat Chapter

- Be part of peer-led conversations
- Contribute to the Manufacturing Technology Outlook 2027
- Network with top CIOs, CTOs, COOs, and senior manufacturing technology leaders

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Episode 4

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