



Important Alert: Protect Yourself Against **SEXTORTION SCAMS**

Advice from **Telangana State Cyber Crime Bureau**

Sextortion involves cyber fraudsters creating fake Facebook or Instagram accounts with attractive profile pictures to lure unsuspecting victims. They send friend requests to their targets and initiate conversations, eventually coercing them into participating in nude video calls. Subsequently, the fraudster records the video and threatens to share it on social media unless the victim pays a ransom.

PRECAUTIONS TO TAKE

- Avoid posting personal information online, as it can be used by fraudsters to target you.

- Refrain from picking up video calls from strangers, especially those you have not met or interacted with before.

- Do not accept friend requests from unknown individuals on social media platforms. Exercise caution and skepticism when considering friend requests.

- Keep all your social media accounts private to prevent unauthorized access and reduce the risk of being targeted by fraudsters.

- When you receive messages or friend requests from individuals with attractive profile pictures on social media, immediately block and report them as potential cyber scams.

- Your safety and well-being are our utmost concern. By staying vigilant and following these precautions, we can collectively combat sextortion scams and protect ourselves and our community from falling victim to such malicious activities.

If you encounter any suspicious behavior or believe you have been targeted by fraudsters, please report it promptly to the **Telangana State Cyber Crime Bureau**.

Stay vigilant, stay safe.

Best regards,



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