The outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19) has also increased number of threats like phishing emails, fake applications and fake websites. The fraudsters may plan a large scale phishing campaign targeting individuals and business entities by sending malicious emails to drive recipients towards fake websites for downloading malicious files or entering personal and financial information.

---sample mail body---

Dear citizens,

The Ministry of <any Government agency> has announced a mandatory COVID-19 testing for all residents of <NAMES OF METROPOLITIN CITIES> above age of 40 years. Govt of India has decided reimburse the testing cost incurred. A medical staff will come to your residence to collect samples. Please immediately register using the link below to all these covid-19 test. Do not forgot to provide complete details with PAN no.

< phishing link>
Thank you for your support in keeping India's fight against covid-19
Thank you
<any Government agency name and full address >

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**Best Practices to be adhered:**

- Do not click links or open attachments received through unknown mails.
- Do not provide your username, password, date of birth, Aadhar NO, PIN, OTP, Account Number, MPIN, UPI PIN, Debit/Credit card Number, CVV, Card expiry date, Login Ids or any other personal information in response to suspicious emails/calls.
- Use only authorised applications / genuine websites to know about the government schemes.
- Be aware of FREE advertisements on the internet which often contains malware.