

## Empowering Global Communities through Cybersecurity Awareness

### **Page: General Information**

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### **Name of Organization/Company**

Cyber N GO Charitable Trust

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### **Page: Entry Information**

#### **Entry Title**

Empowering Global Communities through Cybersecurity Awareness

#### **Category**

Q02. Educational or Research Institution of the Year - Information Technology

#### **Educational or Research Institution of the Year Submission Format**

Written Answers

#### **a. Briefly describe the nominated non-profit organization's history and past performance (up to 200 words). Required**

Cyber N GO was founded in 2019 with the mission of democratizing cybersecurity awareness and digital literacy, especially among underserved and vulnerable communities. Recognizing that cyber threats disproportionately affect individuals with limited access to digital education, the organization set out to create inclusive, multilingual, and culturally relevant resources to bridge this gap.

Since its inception, Cyber N GO has impacted over 100 thousands of individual across multiple countries through workshops, online safety toolkits, school programs, and global advocacy campaigns on social media and in-person discussions. It has collaborated with international NGOs, Government bodies, and Grassroots organizations to deliver cybersecurity training to youth, elders, educators, and frontline workers.

The organization's past performance includes the successful launch of the Cyber Aware Schools Initiative, Deployment of the Digital First Responders Network, and Development of open-access cybersecurity curricula used in classrooms worldwide. Its scalable, community-driven approach and evidence-based strategies have garnered recognition from cyber defense alliances and tech-for-good networks alike. Cyber N GO track record shows not only consistent growth and reach, but also deep impact in elevating digital resilience where it's needed most.

#### **b. Outline the nominated non-profit organization's achievements since the beginning of 2023 that you wish to bring to the judges' attention (up to 250 words). Required**

Since January 2023, CybernGO.org has significantly expanded its global footprint and deepened its impact in the fight against cyber insecurity and digital exclusion. Key achievements include:

Cyber Ninja Kids Program: Launched in Q1 2023, this initiative has educated over 5,000 students across country on internet safety, cyberbullying, social engineering and responsible digital citizenship - delivered through elementary school partnerships, worked with universities across the globe, animated content, and gamified learning via social media platforms.

Cyber Crisis Helpline: In response to rising online scams and digital exploitation, Cyber N GO launched a multilingual helpline via phone or email channel, supporting over thousands of individual in real time with expert guidance, threat assessment, and recovery assistance, as well as law enforcement help.

Women in Cyber Awareness Campaign: Focused on empowering women and girls in low-connectivity regions, this campaign reached over 1,000 users via community radio, mobile learning modules, and in-person training sessions.

Strategic Partnerships: Formed alliances with the United Nations Digital Trust & Safety initiative, as well as regional telecom regulators, to advance policy advocacy and increase cybersecurity literacy at scale.

These initiatives reflect Cyber N GO innovative, inclusive, and impact-oriented approach to making cybersecurity a fundamental right not a privilege.

**c. Explain why the achievements you have highlighted are unique or significant. If possible compare the achievements to the performance of other institutions in the organization's field and/or to the organization's own past performance (up to 250 words). Required**

Cyber N GO's achievements are significant because they disrupt traditional, institution-centric cybersecurity models by centering the most overlooked communities: children, women, elders, and marginalized groups with culturally relevant, accessible, and scalable tools. Unlike many cybersecurity organizations that focus on corporate or enterprise solutions, Cyberngo.org puts people first, treating digital safety as a grassroots, public health issue.

What sets the 2023–2024 achievements apart is the scale and speed of growth. The Cyber Ninja Kids Program alone tripled its reach compared to the previous year, expanding from 1,000 to 5,000 students. The Cyber Crisis Helpline is one of the first of its kind to be multilingual, free, and non-commercial supporting more real-time victims than most regional cybercrime units. Compared to other nonprofits in the digital literacy or tech education space, Cyberngo.org's integration of AI tools, partnerships with regulators, and hyperlocal campaigns has positioned it as both a policy influencer and a grassroots enabler. For instance, while many NGOs offer generic digital safety resources, Cyberngo.org tailors them by region, language, and age group, resulting in higher engagement and measurable behavior change.

These achievements mark a pivotal leap not only in numbers, but in meaningful, tech-enabled social impact that few others in the sector are currently matching.

**d. Reference any attachments of supporting materials throughout this nomination and how they provide evidence of the claims you have made in this nomination (up to 250 words). Optional**

To support this nomination, we have included a comprehensive package of materials that demonstrate the scale, innovation, and impact of Cyberngo.org's work since 2023:

1) Social Media Platform Links

2) Appreciation Letter from Chief Minister of Gujarat State, India

3) Appreciation Letter from Security Organization, Microsoft.

4) Appreciation Letter from University.

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