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CISF plans to set up data fusion centre in Delhi to ramp up aviation security

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IN a significant move aimed at bolstering aviation security and streamlining passenger movement, the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) has proposed setting up a Data Fusion Centre in Delhi that will integrate surveillance systems, including facial recognition technology, across major airports in the country.

Announcing the initiative on Monday, CISF Director General Praveer Ranjan said the proposed centre would function as a centralised hub for real-time monitoring, analysis and coordination of security data generated from airports and other critical installations under CISF protection.

"Under this initiative, the process of integrating facial recognition systems across all major airports in the country is under consideration with the concerned ministries," Ranjan said during the foundation stone-laying ceremony of the CISF's new headquarters building in the national capital.

The DG said the force is work-



ing towards integrating nearly 1.5 lakh surveillance cameras deployed across installations secured by the CISF into a unified network. The initiative is expected to complement existing biometric-based systems such as Digi Yatra.

Security experts say such a system could transform the country's security architecture by enabling predictive analysis and early threat detection.

Officials, however, stressed that the deployment of advanced surveillance technologies would be accompanied by appropriate safeguards to en-

I4C's 'Boss Scam' alert

The cyber wing of the MHA has warned of a sophisticated fraud campaign dubbed "Boss Scam", in which online fraudsters target senior corporate executives and compromise their devices. According to the I4C, attackers initially contact senior officials impersonating RBI officials, then deploy malware through compressed ZIP files containing an executable programme and a Dynamic Link Library (DLL) file.

sure data protection and privacy, as the proposal is currently under discussion with various ministries and stakeholders with the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) playing the lead role.

The announcements were made during a ceremony, in which infrastructure projects worth ₹136 crore were dedicated to the CISF. Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar laid the foundation stone of the CISF's new headquarters building, which will be constructed at an estimated cost of ₹76 crore.