



## Tips to Consider while Hosting / Developing a website

<u>Website Hosting</u>	<u>Website Development</u>
<p><b>What kind of website are you hosting?</b>  <i>*Classify / Categorize your website</i></p>	<p><b>What kind of website are you developing?</b>  <i>*Classify / Categorize your website</i></p>
<p><b>Do you really think Outsourcing is a good idea?</b>  <i>* Have you weighed the pros and cons of using an outsourced services? Has a due diligence / Risk Assessment been done?</i></p>	<p><b>Do you really think Outsourcing is a good idea?</b>  <i>* Have you weighed the pros and cons of using an outsourced services? Has a due diligence / Risk Assessment been done?</i></p>
<p><b>Have you thought of the Legal / Legislative / Regulatory requirements?</b>  <i>* Are there any Legal / Legislative / Regulatory requirements that restrict you from hosting your website with an external provider (locally or internationally)? For e.g. Does your website hold personal or classified data?</i></p>	<p><b>Have you thought of the Legal / Legislative / Regulatory requirements?</b>  <i>* Are there any Legal / Legislative / Regulatory requirements that restrict you from using the services of an external developer (locally or internationally)? For e.g. Does your website hold / process personal or classified data? Will the developer have access to production data during development phase?</i></p>
<p><b>Write it down!</b>  <i>*Make sure information security compliance requirements are mandated in all your documentation with vendor. This includes your RFPs, agreement with vendors, MoU with stakeholders</i></p>	<p><b>Write it down!</b>  <i>*Make sure information security compliance requirements are mandated in all your documentation with vendor. This includes your RFPs, agreement with vendors, MoU with stakeholders</i></p>
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<p><b>The Proof of pudding is in eating!</b>  <i>* Assess your vendor's claim. Does the vendor really meet your compliance requirements. Perform a third party technical assessment / audit to verify his claims?</i></p>	<p><b>The Proof of pudding is in eating!</b>  <i>* Assess your vendor's claim. Does the vendor's proposed design and architecture meet your compliance requirements. Audit and have a technical (vulnerability) assessment done prior to going in production. Based on website categorization (if required) perform a code review / analysis to identify programming bugs, malware or hidden code if any.</i></p>
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