



Threat Actor Malware

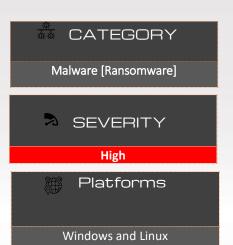


Description

FunkSec, a newly emerged ransomware group, gained prominence in December 2024 by claiming over 85 victims within a month. Operating as a Ransomware-as-a-Service (RaaS), FunkSec employs double extortion tactics, combining data theft and encryption to pressure victims into paying ransoms. Their activities indicate possible ties to hacktivist operations and suggest an inexperienced group leveraging Al-assisted tool development.

The group launched a data leak site (DLS) in December 2024, centralizing their activities and featuring breach announcements, a custom DDoS tool, and their ransomware offering. FunkSec is characterized by unusually low ransom demands, sometimes as low as \$10,000, and selling stolen data to third parties at discounted prices.

Recently, FunkSec has been observed targeting organizations in Pakistan, leveraging its double extortion tactics against entities in critical sectors. This activity highlights the increasing focus of ransomware groups on organizations within South Asia.



IMPACT

- Double Extortion Tactics:
 Encryption of critical data
 coupled with theft to pressure
 victims.
- Massive Data Leaks: Alleged publication of over 85 victim datasets.
- FunkSec's tactics blur lines between hacktivism and cybercrime.



Indicator of Compromise

SHA256

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Remediation

- Conduct regular vulnerability scans and address detected issues.
- Reset potentially compromised account passwords.
- Enforce multi-factor authentication (MFA) on all critical systems.
- Maintain offline, encrypted backups of critical data.
- Educate employees on phishing and social engineering tactics.
- Conduct simulated phishing and ransomware attacks for awareness.
- Notify internal stakeholders, regulators, and affected parties as required.
- Adopt Zero Trust principles to minimize the attack surface.
- Assess and secure third-party vendors to strengthen supply chain security.
- Block all IOCs on your XDR, EDR and other security tools.

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