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Data Protection and Privacy Newsletter

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News update around the globe



Canada's watchdog guidance on IoT manufactures

The Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada has issued its guidance for manufactures of Internet of Things (IoT) devices in adherence with the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act.

The guidance briefly elaborates about applicability, privacy principles, accountability, design for privacy, consent, safeguards and compliance checklist.



Premom's shared data without consent

International Digital Accountability Council (IDAC) an independent digital privacy watchdog sent letters to the Federal Trade Commission and the attorney general of Illinois, alleging that Premom a fertility app has been found sharing the user data to third parties without consent violating federal and state laws. IDAC also alleged that Premom has two separate privacy policies that are not consistent with each other, engages in ID bridging violating Google's Developer Policies and collects lists of installed apps for functionality purposes.

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India updates





The State Government of Karnataka issued a circular on Processes, Procedures in Application Hosting and Best Practices in Data Protection.



Petition filed against Google Pay in Delhi High Court for violating the Reserve Bank of India's guidelines on data protection.



Personal data of students is barred from public disclosure as would invade children's privacy, rules Central Information Commission.

A background image showing a group of business professionals in a meeting. They are seated around a table with laptops, papers, and pens. The image is dimmed and has a dark blue overlay. The text 'Privacy lawsuits' is centered in white.

Privacy lawsuits



Class action lawsuit against Marriott

A class action type lawsuit has been filed in High Court of England and Wales against Marriott International for data breach exposing personal data of half million guest reservations pertaining to 2018, for violation under GDPR and Data Protection Act 1988. The UK's watchdog has already proposed a fine of EUR 99 million for the said data breach. However, which is yet to take effect. Also, in March 2020 Marriott had announced second data breach incident exposing data of 5.2 million guests.



Macy's sued for facial recognition

Macy's an American department store chain is sued in US Federal Court of Chicago for violation of Illinois' Biometric Information Privacy Act by a regular customer.

The lawsuit alleges that Macy's is actively profiling its customers using Clearview AI facial recognition software violating customer's right to privacy and had also failed to get consent before using facial recognition technology to identify customer.

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