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DURATION

: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

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SECTION A

Q1 Match these OWASP best practices checklist (on the left) to its correct checklist header (on the right).

| Item | OWASP best practices checklist | | | | |
|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | Remove unnecessary default vendor content (e.g., sample schemas) | | | | |
| 2 | Disable any default accounts that are not required to support business requirements | | | | |
| 3 | The application should connect to the database with different credentials for every trust distinction (e.g., user, readonly user, guest, administrators) | | | | |
| 4 | Restrict access to logs to only authorized individuals | | | | |
| 5 | Utilize a master routine for all logging operations | | | | |
| 6 | Do not store sensitive information in logs, including unnecessary system details, session identifiers or passwords | | | | |
| 7 | Conduct all encoding on a trusted system (e.g., The server) | | | | |
| 8 | Utilize a standard, tested routine for each type of outbound encoding | | | | |
| 9 | All cryptographic functions used to protect secrets from the application user must be implemented on a trusted system (e.g., The server) | | | | |
| 10 | Protect master secrets from unauthorized access | | | | |

| Item | OWASP checklist header (group) | | | | |
|------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| A | Database Security | | | | |
| В | Error Handling and Logging | | | | |
| C | Output Encoding | | | | |
| D | Cryptographic Practices | | | | |

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- Q2 Explain the following techniques used for database security and give **ONE** (1) example for implementing each of this techniques.
 - (a) Authorization
 - (b) Audit Trail
 - (c) Backup
 - (d) Access Control
 - (e) View

(20 marks)

Q3 Discuss any FIVE (5) Information Communication Technology (ICT) related risks to be treated using Risk Treatment Plan in Table Q(3) below. Example of one of the risk treatmet is given below.

Table Q(3)

| RISK IDENTIFICATION | RISK TREATMENT | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Event | Action | Plan | Risk Owner | Resolved by |
| Rogue (illegal) wifi AP is put | Reduce | Buy 5 % of AP | IT Department | 31 Dec. 2016 |
| in UTHM | | with anti-rouge | | |
| | | AP | | |
| | | management | | |
| | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | from total | | . * |
| | | number of wifi | | |
| | | AP in UTHM | | |
| | | to jam the | , a | |
| | | signal from | , | |
| | | rogue wifi AP | | |
| | | signal within | | |
| | | UTHM (in | | |
| | | main campus | | , , |
| | | and at hostels). | | |
| | | Only allowed | | |
| | | UTHM legal | | |
| | | wifi AP to | | |
| | , | operate. | | |

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Q4 Currently, your organization have over 50 systems consisting of mostly online applications and client-servers systems which use Oracle database. There is a new tender exercise for reevaluating existing database. Three databases are proposed namely Oracle, Tibero and Cassandra in this tender exercise. As an IT Officer for this organization, you are required to EVALUATE the best database for the organization. Justify your answers by giving FOUR (4) strong points to support your evaluation.

(20 marks)

You are responsible for implementing secure coding best practices in your company. Outline FIVE (5) best practices checklist focusing on data protection for the secure coding implementation in your company.

(20 marks)

- END OF QUESTION -