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Controller of Certifying Authorities (CCA)

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Information Technology Act, 2000

- Came into effect from October 17th, 2000 on the lines of the United Nation Commission of International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) Model Law
- The Information Technology Act 2000 facilitates acceptance of electronic records and Digital Signatures through a legal framework for establishing trust in e-Commerce & e-Governance.
- The IT Act, 2000 provides the legal recognition of digital signatures (Section 5, IT Act 2000)
- Central Government appoints the Controller of Certifying Authorities (CCA) under Section 17 of the IT Act, 2000.
- IT Act 2000 was amended through The Information Technology (Amendment) Act, 2008 which came into effect from October 27,2009
 - ✓ Brought in technology neutrality through electronic signatures.
 - New electronic signature technologies can be introduced through the Second Schedule of the IT Act.

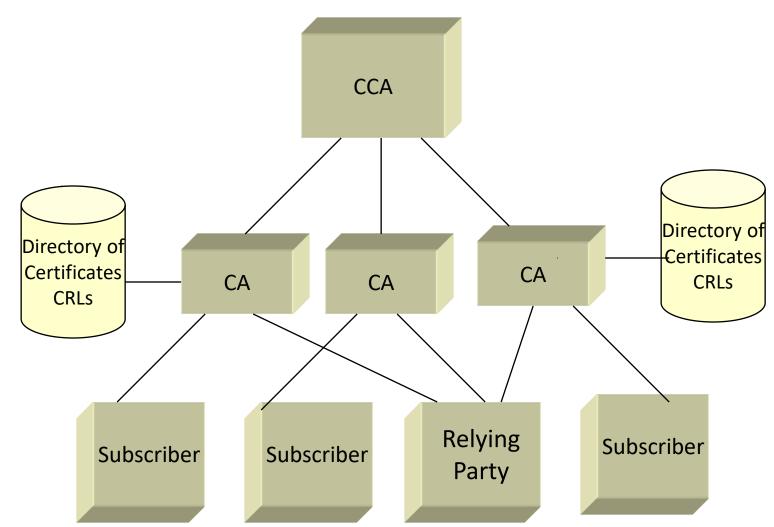


Functions of CCA

- Licensing of Certifying Authorities (CAs),
- Exercising supervision over the activities of the CAs
- Certifying public keys of the Certifying Authorities
- Laying down the standards to be maintained by the CAs
- Specifying the manner in which the Certifying Authorities shall conduct their dealings with the subscribers
- Resolving any conflict of interests between the Certifying Authorities and the subscribers
- Auditing the physical and technical infrastructure of the applicants through a panel of auditors maintained by the CCA
- Maintaining disclosure record of every licenced CA, which shall be accessible to public
- Promotes the growth of E-Commerce and E-Governance through the wide use of Electronic (Digital) signatures



Trust Hierarchy



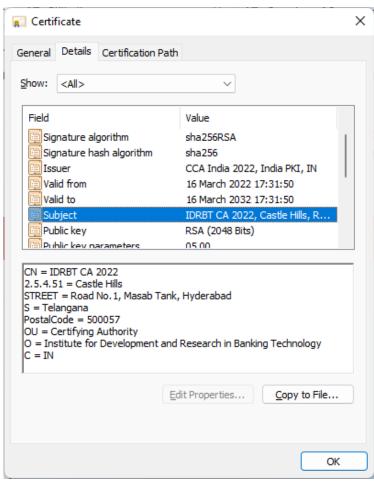


CA Certificate

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Certifying Authority (CA)

Certifying authority is an entity which issues Electronic (Digital) Signature Certificates

- It is a Trusted Third Party
- Certifying Authorities are the important components of Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)

Responsibilities of CA

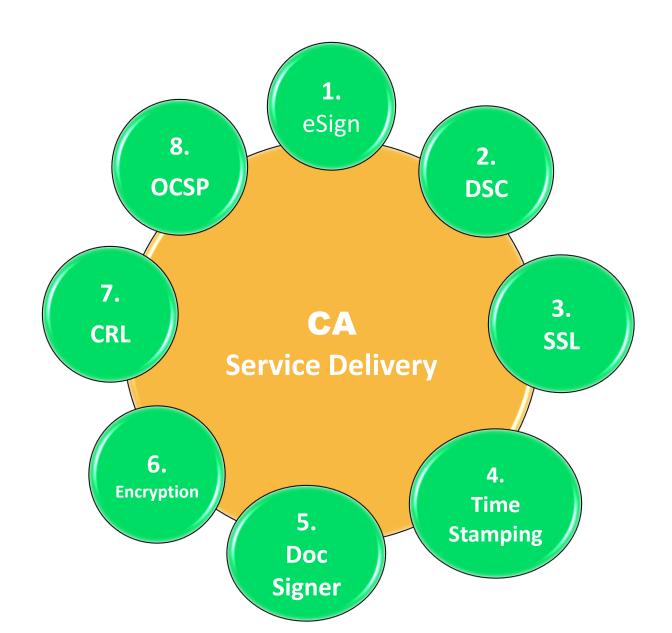
- ✓ Verify the credentials of the person requesting for the certificate
- ✓ Issue Digital Signature Certificates
- ✓ Revoke Digital Signature Certificates
- ✓ Generate and upload CRL

Certifying Authorities empanelled as **eSign Service Providers (ESPs)** provide eSign services (online electronic signature service) based on approved mode(s) of eKYC:

- Aadhaar online eKYC
- CA eKYC-offline Aadhaar eKYC, Banking eKYC, Organizational eKYC & PAN eKYC etc.



CA Service Delivery





CCA India Licensed CAs – 22 Nos.

DSC Providers (17 CAs)

- Dongle/Crypto token based DSC























eSign Service Providers (18 ESPs)

- Online electronic signature service

















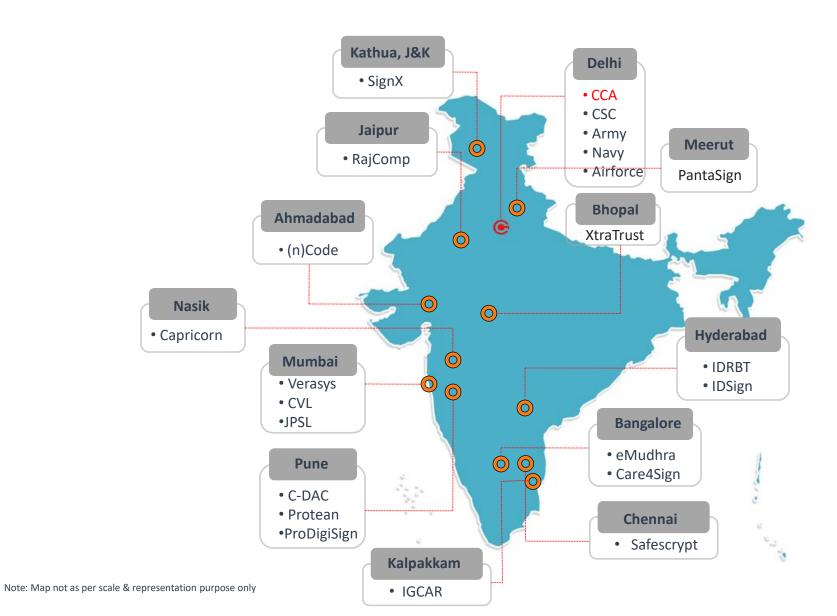








Licensed Certifying Authorities



Licensed CAs

Govt/Semi Govt Sector

- o C-DAC
- CSC eGovernance
- o RajCOMP Info Services Ltd. CA
- o IGCAR

Banking Sector

o IDRBT

Private Sector

- Safescrypt
- eMudhra
- o (n)Code
- Capricorn
- PantaSign
- Protean (formerly NSDL)
- Verasys
- o IDSign
- o CDSL Ventures Ltd.(CVL) CA
- XtraTrust
- ProDigiSign
- o SignX
- o Care4Sign
- JPSL

Defence Sector

- India Air force
- o Indian Army
- Indian Navy



CAs Services Overview

OVERVIEW OF SERVICES AVAILABLE WITH LICENSED CAS

	Licensed CAs	Class 1 – 3 DSCs	eSign	SSL*	Time Stamping
1.	Safescrypt	-	-		1
2.	(n) (Code Solutions	-	-		1
3.	e-Mudhra	-	-	-	1
4.	Capricorn	-	1		1
5.	Vsign (Verasys)	-	-		1
6.	RISL (RajComp)	-	-	-	-
7.	IDSign	/	-		1
\$.	Pantasign	1	-		1
9.	Xtra Trust	1	-		1
10.	ProDigiSign	1	-		1
11.	SignX	/	1		1
12.	Care 4 Sign	1	-		1
13.	CDAC		1		1
14.	Protean(NSDL e-GOV)		1		/
15.	CSC		1		1
16.	CDSL Ventures		✓ CDSL		✓CDSL
17.	RPSL		1		~
18.	IDRBT	✓Banks	î l	✓Banks	✓Banks
19.	Indian Air Force	✓IAF		VIAF	✓LAF
20.	Indian Army	✓Army		-/Army	✓Army
21.	Indian Navy	✓Navy	✓Navy	Navy	✓Navy
22.	IGCAR	✓IGCAR			✓IGCAR

^{*} The Root CA Certificate of India is listed only in Microsoft products (Including IE)

DSC & eSign Statistics

Year	No. of CA licensed	No. of DSC (in Lakh)	No. of eSign (in Lakh)
2002-13	5	67.90	
2014	-	25.92	
2015	1	23.68	5.38
2016	2	40.50	97.94
2017	-	38.64	351.68
2018	1	44.75	198.01
2019	2	46.83	314.82
2020	4	47.20	439.68
2021	2	46.22	984.17
2022	4	51.70	1454.96
2023	1	51.96	2027.38
2024 (till 30th June)	-	25.58	1439.40
Total	22	510.88 (~5.1 Cr)	7313.42 (~73.1 Cr)



Uses of Electronic Signatures

Government

✓	Ministry of Corporate	✓ RTI reply
	Affairs (MCA 21)	✓ Online Money
✓	E-Procurement	Orders
	Project of Govt. of AP	✓ E-education
✓	Indian Customs &	✓ IRCTC ticketing &
	Excise Gateway	reservations
✓	e-Procurement	✓ E-voting
	System, Karnataka	✓ Public Information
	Govt.	Record
✓	DGS&D & DGFT	✓ Online file
✓ ✓	PFMS, MoF	movement system
✓	GeM Portal, MoC&I	✓ Online Govt.
✓	E-Office, State &	orders/treasury
	Central Govt. offices	orders
✓	DigiLocker, NeGD	✓ Issuing forms &
✓	ITR filing & returns	licenses
		✓ Email & Messaging
✓	Govt. e-Services	service
	 e-Invoice 	
	 e-Tax Filing 	 e-Payment
	 e-Customs 	 e-Billing
	 e-Passport 	 e-Procurement
	 e-Governance 	 e-Insurance
		 e-Treasury

Telcom **Banking** Money transfer Subscriber's services Online shopping management e-KYC **Payments** Shifting of telephones, **Payments** Accessories (Clip, Sellers verification Cordless) Account opening & Purchase verification Access Small payments through telephones **Judicial** Non-financial transactions Mobile Authentication Instant posting of of SMS Tax payment Judgment online Inter/Intra offices Secure electronic Online trading authentic communications within communications judiciary Insurance opening Procurement of Authentic archiving of material Judicial records Submission of Affidavits **Network Management** Issuing certified copies of the judgment



Players/Stakeholders in PKI Eco System

• HSM OEMS 1. Thales 2. Entrust	TOKEN VENDERS Watchdata Mtoken	PKI/CA SW OEMS Nexus Assertia	EMPANELLED AUG AAA Technology L Sysman Compute	td.
3. Gemalto 3. Epass token 4. Securosys 4. Trust Key 5. Kryptus 5. Bit4id 6. Futurex 6. Thales		3. Entrust 4. Symantic 5. HP 6. Microsoft	 Kochar Consultants Pvt. Ltd. Yoganandh & Ram LLP A3S Tech & Company AKS IT Services Pct. Ltd. 	
7. Utimaco 7. Precision		7. eMudhra 8. Oddesy 9. CDAC 10.NSDL	7. CyberO Consulting Pvt. Ltd. 8. Digital Age Pvt. Ltd.	
LICENSED CAS		PKI CONSULTANTS	• LEGAL EXPERTS	APPN OWNERS/ DEVELOPER
1.safescrypt 2. IDRBT 3. eMudhra 4. (n) Code Solns 5. Indian Airforce 6. C-DAC 7. Capricorn 8. NSDL e-Gov 9. Verasys 10. CSC 11. RISL	12. Indian Army 13. IDSign 14. CDSLVentures 15. Pantasign 16. Indian Navy 17. XtraTrust 18. RPSL 19. Pro DigiSign 20. SignX 21. Care4Sign 22. IGCAR	1. PWC 2. Deloitte 3. KPMG 4. TCS 5. Infosys 6. Wipro	1. Seth Associates, Noida 2. Ms. Rachita Garg, Delhi 3. Vakul Seema & Associates, Delhi 4. Arjun Natarajan, Delhi 5. Mr. Chandarkant Tyagi, Delhi	1. NIC 2. Income Tax 3. DGFT 4. M/o Finance 5. State Deptt. 6. Wipro 7. TCS 8. Infosys 9. PSU 10.Others



CCA's Initiatives

- Development of PKI-based Digital Certificates for IoT Device Security
- Common API Platform
- Webtrust Compliance to RCAI
- Indian Browser Open Challenge
- Secure Post Quantum Cryptography (PQC)
- ❖ Blockchain based DSCs content validation & Storage system
- Establishment of WebTrust certified SSL Root CCA/CA
- Next Generation PKI Awareness Program
- ❖ Analytics Dashboard & Portal for Licensing & Audit of CAs
- Mutual Recognition Framework & Cross Certification

Thank you!



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