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RESEARCH REPORT ON THE FRAUD HAPPENING WITH THE NAME OF UOB INVESTMENT IN INDIA

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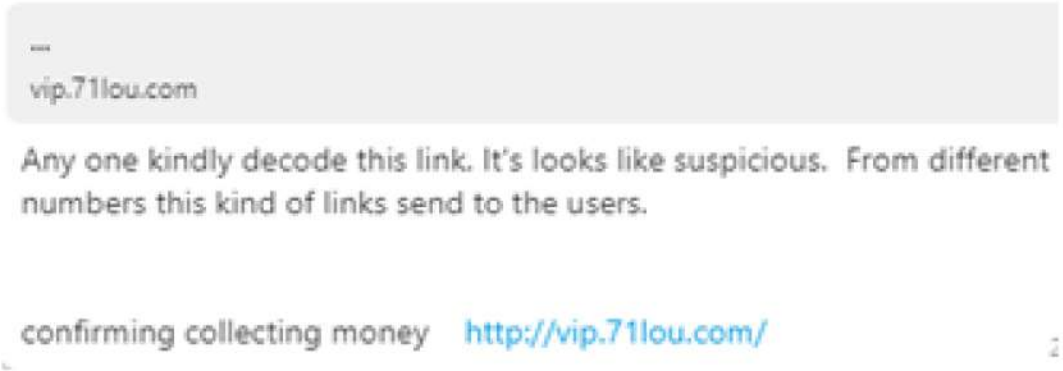
One of the CyberPeace Corps Volunteers has asked the Research Wing of CyberPeace Foundation to initiate an investigation on a link which asks users which claims users can earn more than INR 100000 by UOB investment in India.



Case Study:

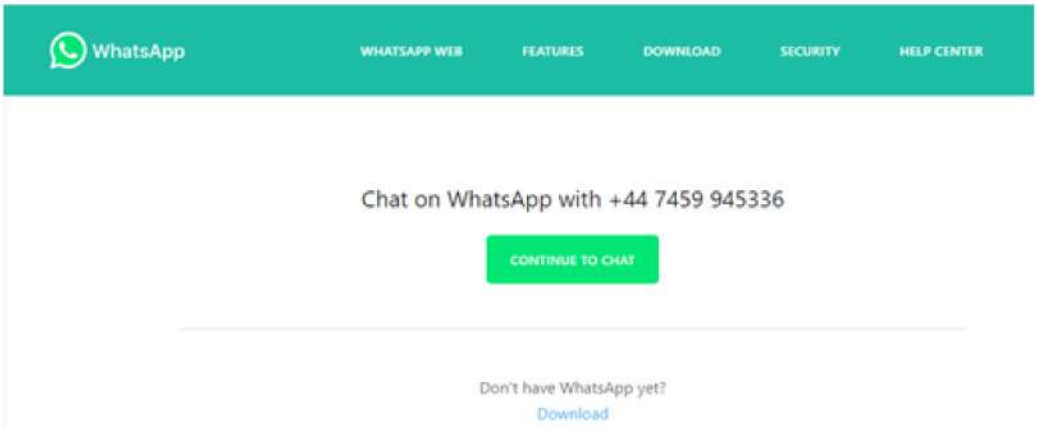
The Research Wing of CyberPeace Foundation along with Autobot Infosec Private Limited have looked into this matter to reach a conclusion that the campaign is either legitimate or an online fraud.

Link:

http://vip[.]71lou[.]com/

On the landing page it describes users about the scheme. Also there was a **Contact Us** button at the bottom of the page.

On clicking the Contact Us button it redirected us to **api.whatsapp.com**.



In Depth Analysis

Below are some of the key findings --

Domain Name	vip.71lou.com
HTTP Status Code	200 [Active]
IP Address	47.241.9.153
ISP	Alibaba
ASN	45102
Country	Singapore
Continent	Asia

Domain name : 71lou.com
Registry Domain ID : 2532170345_DOMAIN_COM-VRSN
Registrar WHOIS Server : whois.bizcn.com
Registrar URL : http://www.bizcn.com
Registrar : Bizcn.com,Inc.
Registrar IANA ID : 471

Updated Date : 2021-05-07T17:21:17Z
Creation Date : 2020-05-31T02:13:26Z
Registrar Registration Expiration Date : 2021-05-31T02:13:26Z

Registrant State/Province : zhe jiang
Registrant Country : CN (China)

Name Server : jm1.dns.com
jm2.dns.com

Phone number : +447459945336

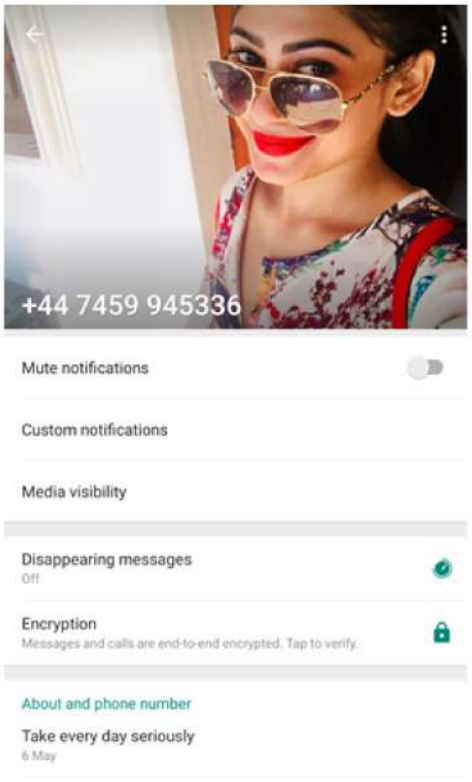
Points	Findings
Phone number	+447459945336
Country	United Kingdom
Country code	44
Time Zone	Eastern European Time (EET)

Further we have verified the number to check whether it is linked with any social media account on reputed platforms like Google, Facebook, Whatsapp, Twitter, Instagram and Linkedin.

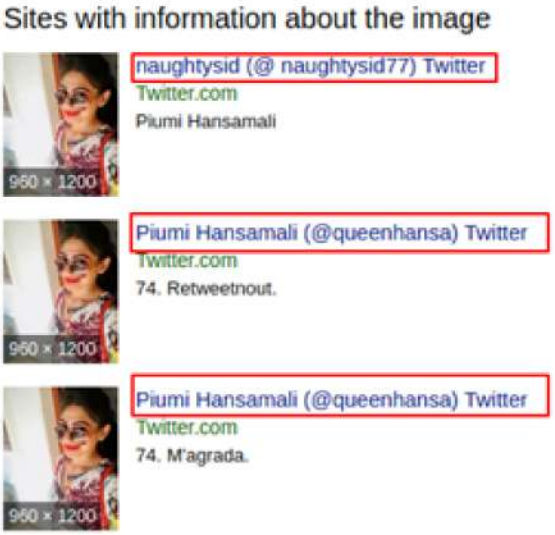
As of now the time of the report is being written we found the number is linked with Google, Facebook, WhatsApp and Twitter.

Social Platform	Account Existence
Google	Yes
Whatsapp	Yes
Facebook	Yes
Twitter	Yes
Instagram	No
Linkedin	No

We found the profile picture of the WhatsApp account.



After doing the reverse image search of the image we found that the image is taken from the internet.



Note : We also have noticed that the number varies on the basis of the Location of the User.

During the analysis we found, in the background a javascript code called **hm.js** was being executed from the host **hm[.]baidu[.]com** which is a subdomain of Baidu and is used for Baidu Analytics, also known as **Baidu Tongji.**

Note: "Baidu is a Chinese multinational technology company specialising in Internet-related services, products and artificial intelligence, headquartered in Beijing's Haidian district, China."

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  </div>
</body>
<div style="display:none">
  <script>
    var _hmt = _hmt || [];
    (function() {
      var hm = document.createElement("script");
      hm.src = "https://hm.baidu.com/hm.js?31e47ee5573b61dc7b1d35d66fddd907";
      var s = document.getElementsByTagName("script")[0];

      s.parentNode.insertBefore(hm, s);
    }
    )();
  </script>
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Domain Name	hm.baidu.com
HTTP Status Code	200 [Active]
IP Address	103.235.46.191
ISP	Beijing Baidu Netcom Science and Technology Co.
ASN	55967
Location	Hong Kong
Continent	Asia

Domain Name: baidu.com
Registry Domain ID: 11181110_DOMAIN_COM-VRSN
Registrar WHOIS Server: whois.markmonitor.com
Registrar URL: http://www.markmonitor.com
Registrar: MarkMonitor Inc.
Registrar IANA ID: 292

Updated Date: 2021-04-07T12:52:21-0700
Creation Date: 1999-10-11T04:05:17-0700
Registrar Registration Expiration Date: 2026-10-11T00:00:00-0700

Registrant Organization: Beijing Baidu Netcom Science Technology Co., Ltd.
Registrant State/Province: Beijing
Registrant Country: CN (China)

Conclusive Summary:

- The Domain name used in the campaign has the registrant's country as China.
- It has been noticed that the number varies on the basis of the Location of the User.
- We have investigated the url in a secured sandbox environment where WhatsApp application was not installed. If any user opens the link from a device like smartphones where WhatsApp application is installed the link will open the chat window of the respective number on WhatsApp application.
- During the analysis it has been found, in the background a javascript code called hm.js was being executed from the host hm[.]baidu[.]com which is a subdomain of Baidu and is used for Baidu Analytics, also known as Baidu Tongji.
- The investigation can be further proceeded after getting engaged with the person behind the WhatsApp chat.

CyberPeace Advisory:

- CyberPeace Foundation recommends that people should avoid opening such messages sent via social platforms. One must always think before clicking on such links or downloading any attachments from unauthorised sources.
- Do not share confidential details like login credentials, banking information with such types of scams.
- Never share or forward fake messages containing links with any social platform without proper verification.

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