

# NIKHIL PATIDAR

Aspiring Penetration Tester | Web Application & Network Security

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Aspiring **Penetration Tester** with hands-on exposure to **Web Application and Network Security** through **CTF competitions, internships, and real-world labs**. Completed **100+ labs on TryHackMe**, participated in **national-level CTFs**, and credited with a **responsible disclosure (CVE)**. Seeking a **junior/entry-level pentesting role** to apply **offensive security skills** in real-world environments.

## CORE SKILLS

- Web Application Security (XSS, SQL Injection – Basic)
- Penetration Testing Methodology (Reconnaissance, Exploitation, Reporting)
- Vulnerability Assessment & Analysis
- Linux & Windows Fundamentals
- Networking Basics (Ports, Services, Traffic Analysis)
- Scripting & Web Basics (PHP, HTML, JavaScript)

## SECURITY TOOLS

**Burp Suite, Nmap, Wireshark, Nikto, Metasploit Framework, John the Ripper, Netcat, OpenVAS, Aircrack-ng**

## INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

- **Cybersecurity Intern — Alfido Tech** | Nov 2025 – Dec 2025
- **Cyber Security Intern — Cyber Leelawat** | Oct 2025

## CTF & PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

- Participated in **5+ CTF competitions**, including **NiteCTF** and **OFSD Open Offensive CTF**.
- Completed **100+ hands-on labs on TryHackMe** and regularly practice on **Hack The Box**.

## RESEARCH & VULNERABILITY DISCLOSURE

**CVE-2025-61255**: Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) vulnerability discovered in **Bank Locker Management System** by **PHPGurukul**.

## CERTIFICATIONS

- Windows Server Administration
- Linux Server Administration
- WordPress Security Expert

## EDUCATION

- PGDCA — Makhanlal Chaturvedi University, 2023
- B.Com (Plan) — Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, 2022

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

TGT Computer Teacher — Ranjeet International Academy (May 2023 – Mar 2024)