Hackers Exploit WordPress Security Flaws to Carry out Cyber-attacks

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It’s been reported that over a hundred thousand Wordpress websites have been hijacked by hackers in a plot that has connected users to a criminal botnet, forcing them to inadvertently launch DDoS attacks. Commenting on this, Lancope CTO, Tim 'TK' Keanini, said:

"Think of it as a supply chain and these criminals need compromised connected computers for their botnets. If you are connected for what ever reason to the Internet, you are a part of this supply chain. This is not something that will ever go away – this is the way it is going to be from here on out. These cybercriminals continue to innovate and find vulnerabilities to exploit for their criminal activity. To add to this, we continue to put insecure devices on the Internet and with the Internet of Things ramping up, there is just no end to the supply of targets.

What we need to do is to focus on the precision, timeliness, and leadership through these crisis - not the fact that they will just go away. They are here to stay and a part of doing business in the Internet age. When these events happen, what does leadership look like that provides business continuity and restores customer confidence? That is the question we need to be asking because hanging your head in shame does no one any good."??

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