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Introduction

The modern enterprise are characterized by internet access, mobile workforces, and dependence on technologies, faces complex array of information security challenges. Most of organizations are rapidly reliant on advanced dynamic infrastructure, such as cloud platform and extensive wireless technologies which reduce traditional security perimeters.

NatureGreen(NG), a global leading health and wellness brand, exemplifies this modern complexity. The organizations operational basement is heavily depend on cloud service and almost full of its network activity is wireless based. Crucially, NG is under huge pressure to accommodate the use of devices for both staff and its international customer base.

While NG recognizes information security as a priority, the current environment is explain as being in disarray with no stable policies to govern security needs. The main idea are multifaceted: the prevention of the data of staff and user, securing the high value intellectual property worth billions, and ensuring compliance from vast global operational footprint. This situation represents a significant risk exposure that must be immediately addressed through structured governance.

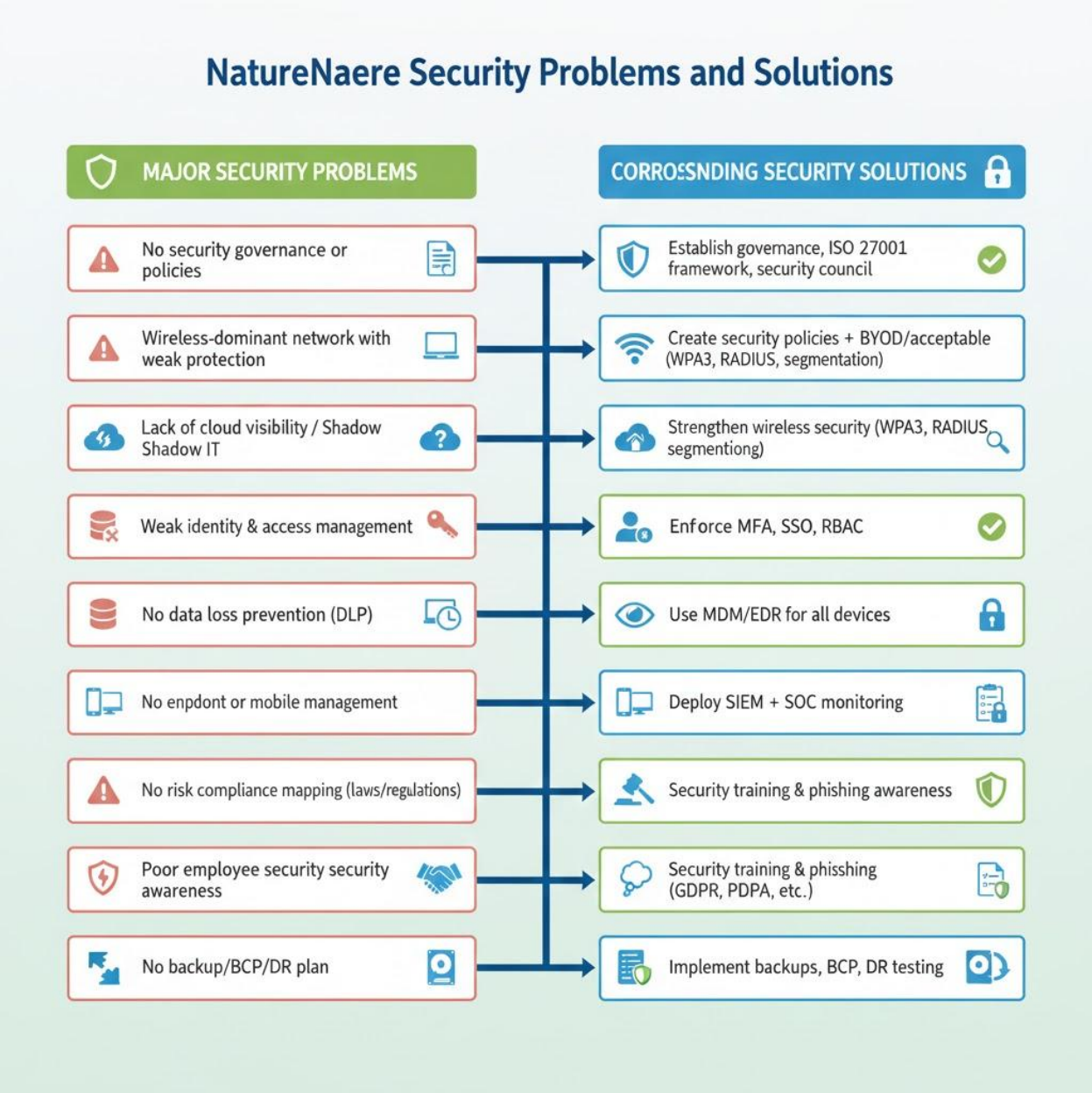

NatureNaere Security Problems and Solutions
MAJOR SECURITY PROBLEMS
CORROSNDING SECURITY SOLUTIONS
No security governance or policies
Establish governance, ISO 27001 framework, security council
Wireless-dominant network with weak protection
Create security policies + BYOD/acceptable (WPA3, RADIUS, segmentation)
Lack of cloud visibility / Shadow Shadow IT
Strengthen wireless security (WPA3, RADIUS segmentiong)
Weak identity & access management
Enforce MFA, SSO, RBAC
No data loss prevention (DLP)
Use MDM/EDR for all devices
No enpdont or mobile management
Deploy SIEM + SOC monitoring
No risk compliance mapping (laws/regulations)
Security training & phishing awareness
Poor employee security security awareness
Security training & phisshing (GDPR, PDPA, etc.)
No backup/BCP/DR plan
Implement backups, BCP, DR testing

Fig 1

The aim of this report is twofold: first, to conduct comprehensive research into established security frameworks and models, using diagrams and figures help to understanding, and second, to effort this knowledge to design a bespoke info system security, governance, and compliance approach for NG. Additionally, this report will analyze, and discuss the core necessity for the xonstant review and upgrade fo security regulations and standards in response to the advanced threat landscape. This comprehensive approach to utlize authoritative references, including COBIT, ISO 27000 series, and NIST special publications, to establish a robust and defensible solution for NG.

2. Research on security Frameworks and Models

The foundation of robust information security management lies in the adoption of internationally recognized frameworks and models. These infrastructures offers necessary control objectives and management processes to move NG from state of disarray to one of disciplined governance and operational security.

2.1 Overview of IT security frameworks

Security frameworks offers a comprehensive structure which aids organizations in managing and reducing their cybersecurity risks [1]. They can be generally structured by their major focus: Governance and operational. For NatureGreen, a holistic method is required, necessitating the integration of all three categories. Security Frameworks are designed to be adaptable, allowing an organization to pre select related controls that aling with objective of business, risk appetite, and legal obligations such as GDPR, CCPA.

2.2 Information Technology Infrastructure Library

While ITIL is fundamentally a service management framework, its latest iteration, ITIL4, and its focus on service value system, offers essential operational allow for implementing security controls [2]. How security policies and standards are translated into day to day operations ITIL dictates.

The ITIL practices are most relevant to NG's security needs include:

1. Change of enablement which ensuring security monitoring are mandatory for all infrastructure changes, particularly thos concering the wireless and cloud space.
2. Incident management which establishing a defined, quick and efficient way for corresponding to security breaches or unauthorized BYOD access, directly allow NG's need for data protection.
3. Service level management defining, negotiating, and monitoring the security requirements integrated into agreements with NG's cloud providers and internal IT teams.

2.3 ISO 27000 Security Model

The ISO/IEC 27000 series represents the globally recognized standard for establishing, implementing, maintaining, and continually improving an infosec management system [3]. This is the critical framework needed to impose order on NG's current policy vacuum.

The main standard is ISO/IEC 27001:2022, which defines the necessity for an ISMS. It si founded on the plan do check act cycle:

- Plan: Define the scope of the ISMS and establish the security policy.
- Do: implement the controls verified in the statement of applicability based on ISO/IEC 27002:2022
- Check: reviewing, measure, and audit the task performance of the ISMS.
- Act: Take right actiosn for continuous improvement.

ISO/ICE 27002:2022 offers catalog of precise security controls like data leakage prevention and indentity management, vital for securing IP and client data across the wireless, BYOD environment.

2.4 Relevant Diagrams, figures and cahrts

- Figure 2: competitive focus of key IT frameworks and ISO/IEC 27001 ISMS PDCA Cycle
- This figure illustrates how COBIT provides the strategic governance mandate, ISO 27001 provides the management system, and ITIL offers the operational execution loop.

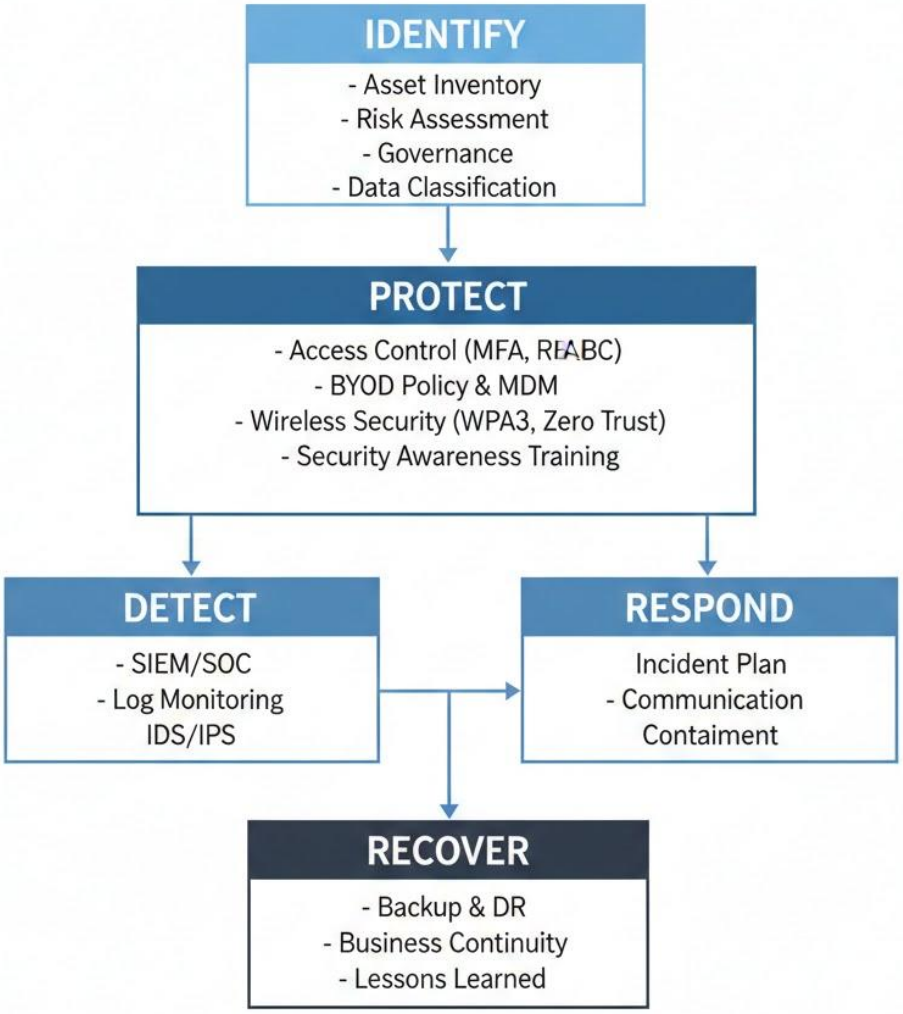


Fig 2

3. Proposed information security approach for NatureGreen (NG)

The proposed approach integrates the Governance principles of COBIT 2019, the Management requirements of ISO 27001, and the tech controls by NIST publicaions to make robust and compliance security architecture for NatureGreen.

3.1 Governance and Strategic Planning for Security

To move beyond the current state of disarray NG must immediately implement strong IT governance. The COBIT 2019 Framework is suggested as the organizaioanl layer, as it bridges the gap between the business required and the echnical requirements [4].

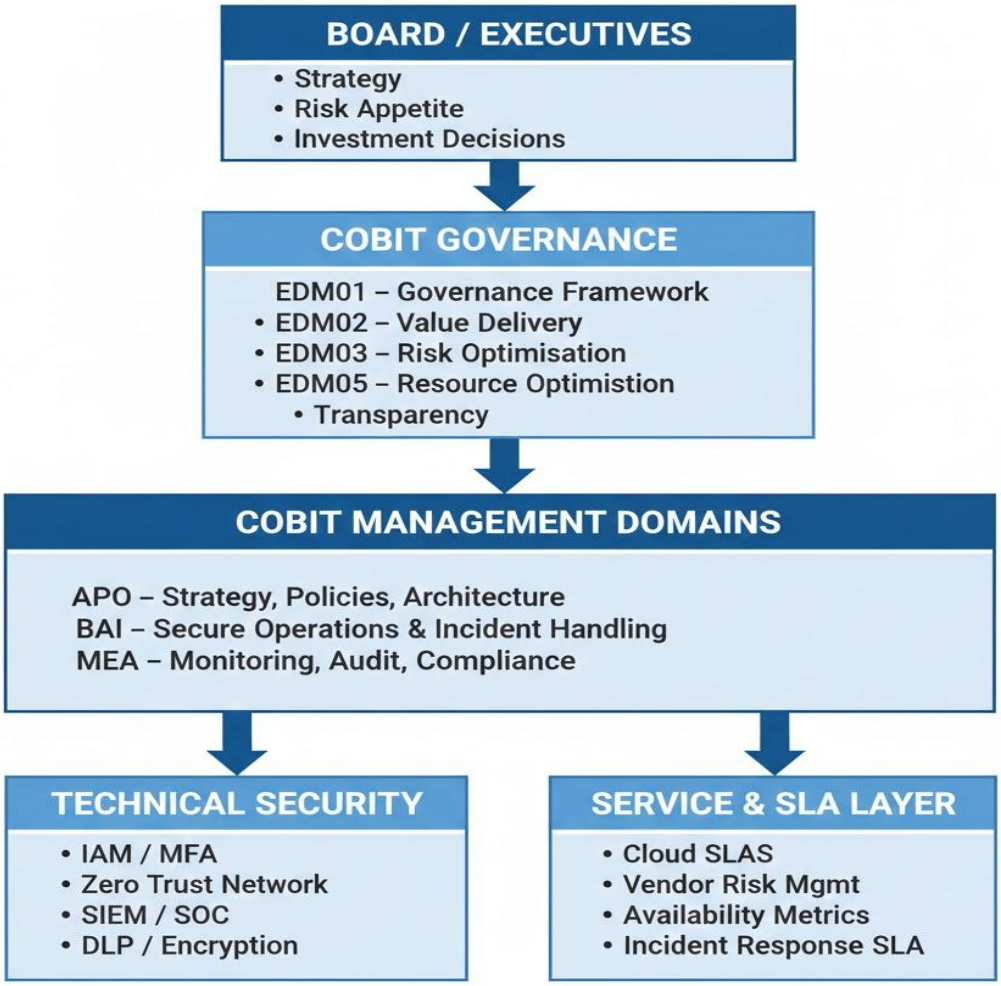


Fig 3

- Figure 3: COBIT 2019 Governance this diagram demonstrates how stakeholder necessity are process into IT goals, providing the required strategic direction for NG's security investment.

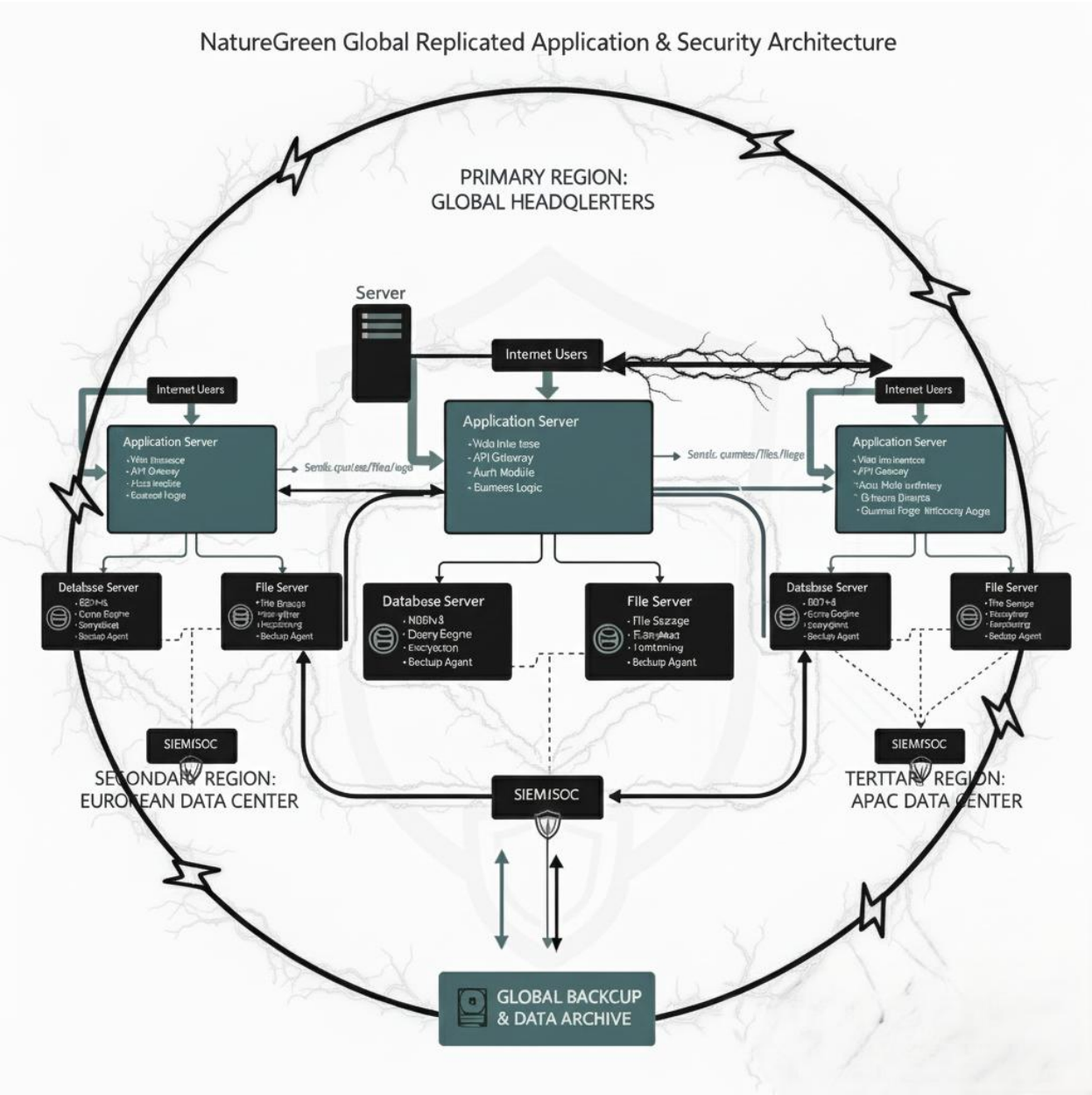
- Establish a security steering management to comprised the executive leadership and the CISO which will be responsible for the security policy and the risk appetite.

- Define security planning to map the security program to get the business objective which ensures the protection of the millions worth of IP is prioritized.

- Adoption COBIT goal cascade for translate higher level of business goals down to IT Goals and the control objective of specific security

3.2 security plicies for staff and customer device usage

The extensive wireless network and BYOD required policies that focus on access control and data separation system. There are some suggested policy and components down below with diagram:



- Zero trust architecture: Implement a ZTA infrastructure where no user or device is inherently trusted [5]. Access to confidential resources must be verified and authentic dynamically based on the context and the health of the device.
- Mobile device management: all sfaff BYOD devices having permission using NG DATA must be enrolled in MDM solution . this procedure allows containerization and remote wiping capacity for corporate info.
- Network access control: Implements NAC to separate unauthorized data or unhealthy devices onto a guest network and strictly prohibiting access to core of the ip system.

3.3 compliance with Ethics, Law and Regulations

NG's international presence required more strict adherence to multiple data protection and laws enforcement.

EU General data protection regulations (GDPR) needs explicit consent and mandatory breach notification. 27002 controls direcetly help NG meet thses requirements.

US state regulation needs some specific consumer rights regrading each individual information.

Ethical data handling Given NG's foucs on health, astorfng enthilacl plicy regraidng ehd anonymiziotn and responsible use of customer health related data and info is essential to maintain brand trust. Increase the demand amoug the comsumers.

3.4 Risk management framework for NatureGreen:

NG must adopt a structured process for analysis, identify, assessing, and mitigating risks, particularly those who concering IP theft and BYOD device compromise. The NIST rick management Framework

Sp 800-37 is ideal for this structured [6].

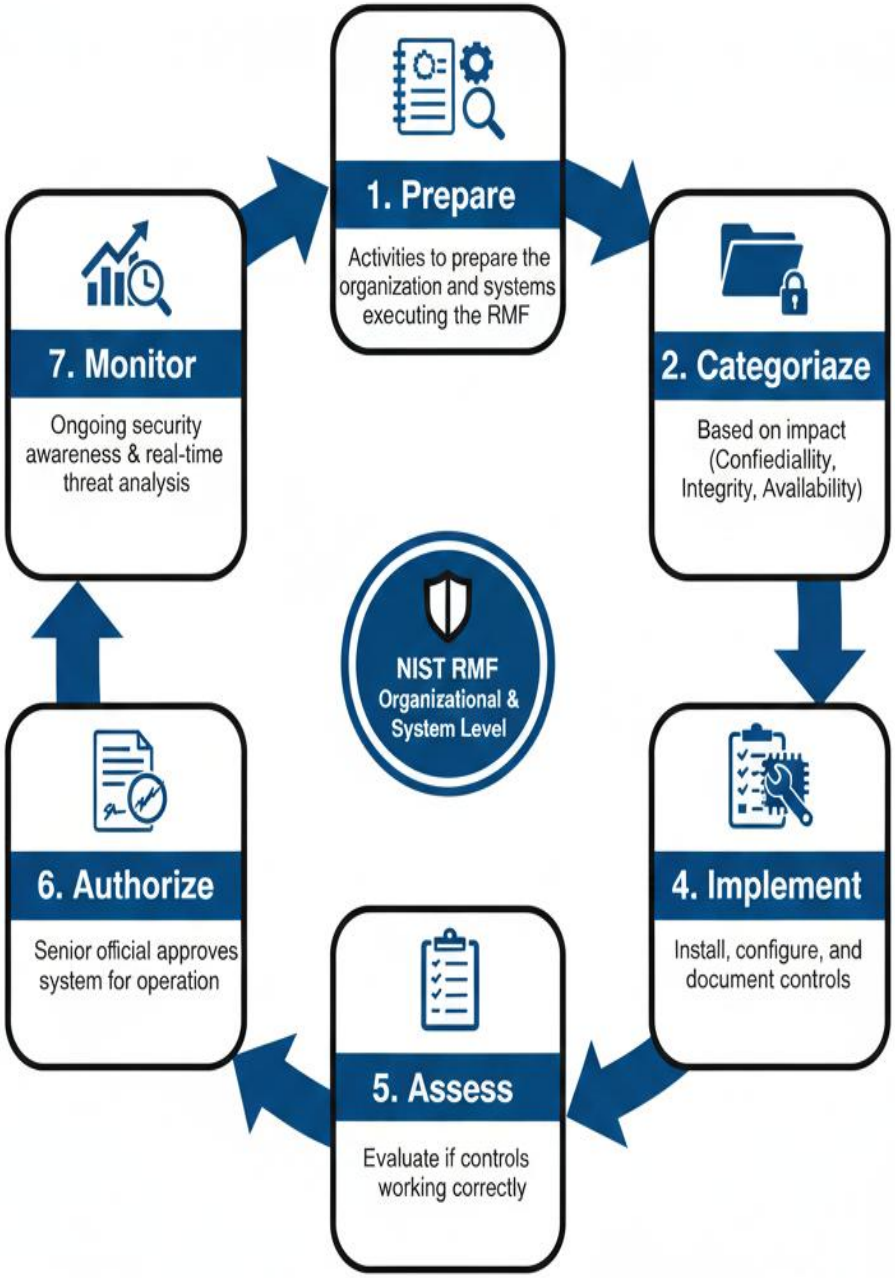

NIST Risk Management Framework (RMF)
A circular, iteritive approach to managing information security risk
1. Prepare
Activities to prepare the organization and systems executing the RMF
2. Categoriaze
Based on impact (Confiediallity, Integrity, Avallability)
4. Implement
Install, configure, and document controls
5. Assess
Evaluate if controls working correctly
6. Authorize
Senior official approves system for operation
7. Monitor
Ongoing security awareness & real-time threat analysis
NIST RMF
Organizational & System Level

Fig 4

Fig 4: NIST RISK Management framework

Well this diagram shows the major 7 cyclical procdure for manaign businesses security and privacy risk at NatureGreen

NIST RMF steps applied to NG

1. Categorise : based on impact its divide into few categories.

2. Select: chose to cotrols from Nist sp 800-53 based on system catalog.

3. Implement and assess: deployment controls and aduit their effectiveness.

4. Monitor and Authorize : the ssc grants authorizations to operate based on the acceptable risk, followed by continuous monitoring.

3.5 protection mechanism for staff, user data and intellectual property

- IP protection refers deploy data loss prevention from all cloud services and endpoints. DPL must surveillance and block unauthorized movement of the intellectual property. Strict access control should implement for all IP repsoitiories.

- User and staff's data protection refers enforce multi factor authentication and end to end encypiton for the all data has been transmitted from wireless network. Utilize cloud security posture management tools to keep monitoring cloud config.

3.6 service level agreement considerations

NatureGreen must ensure it security patch requirements are embedded in its contracts

- Cloud SLAs: need the cloud provider services to adhere to precise security standards with some ISO 27001 Level certificaiton. Mandate strict incident respose time guarantees.
- Internal SLAs refers internal IT task performance metrics for security operation, like patch deployment run time and incident resolution time ensuring ITIL processes support the security framework.

3.7 contingency and continuity planning

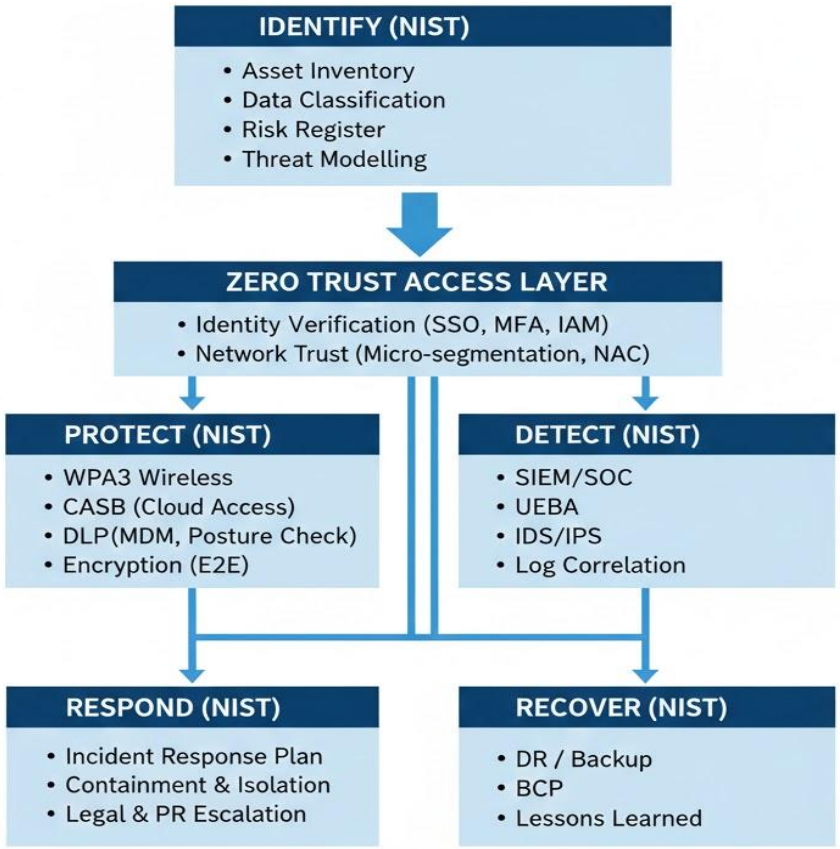
To ensure business resilience a robust plan is needed.

- Business continuity planning : defines a aligned withn iso 22301 business continuity management.

- Recovery metrics : refers clear recovery time objective and point objectives for the whole system.

3.8 Diagrams supporting the proposed approach

NatureGreen zero trust network diagram.



This diagram demonstrates the isolate of highly trusted of corporate devices from BYOD devices accessing allocated and contined resource, based on NIST 880-207 zero trust architecture principles.

4 Analysis and critique of updating regulations and standards

4.1 Importance of constantly updating security standards

The standards and the regulation of security are not static, they need constant revision. This need is driven by the dynamic and the asymmertiacal nature fo the threat landscape.

Key drivers for updates:

- The evolving threat landscape. Threat act continually innovate. Standars must evolve to mandate controls that address these new attack vectors. For example ISO 27002:2022 update introduce new controls log for cloud services especially [7].
- Technological evolution: The rapid adoption for new tech introduce fundamentally new security primeters and risks. Failure to update standards could leave organization trying to secure 21st century's network infrastructure with outdates rules.

4.2 organizational, legal, and Ethical implications

The continuous update fo security stnadards carries importance implications from the orgranizaiton.

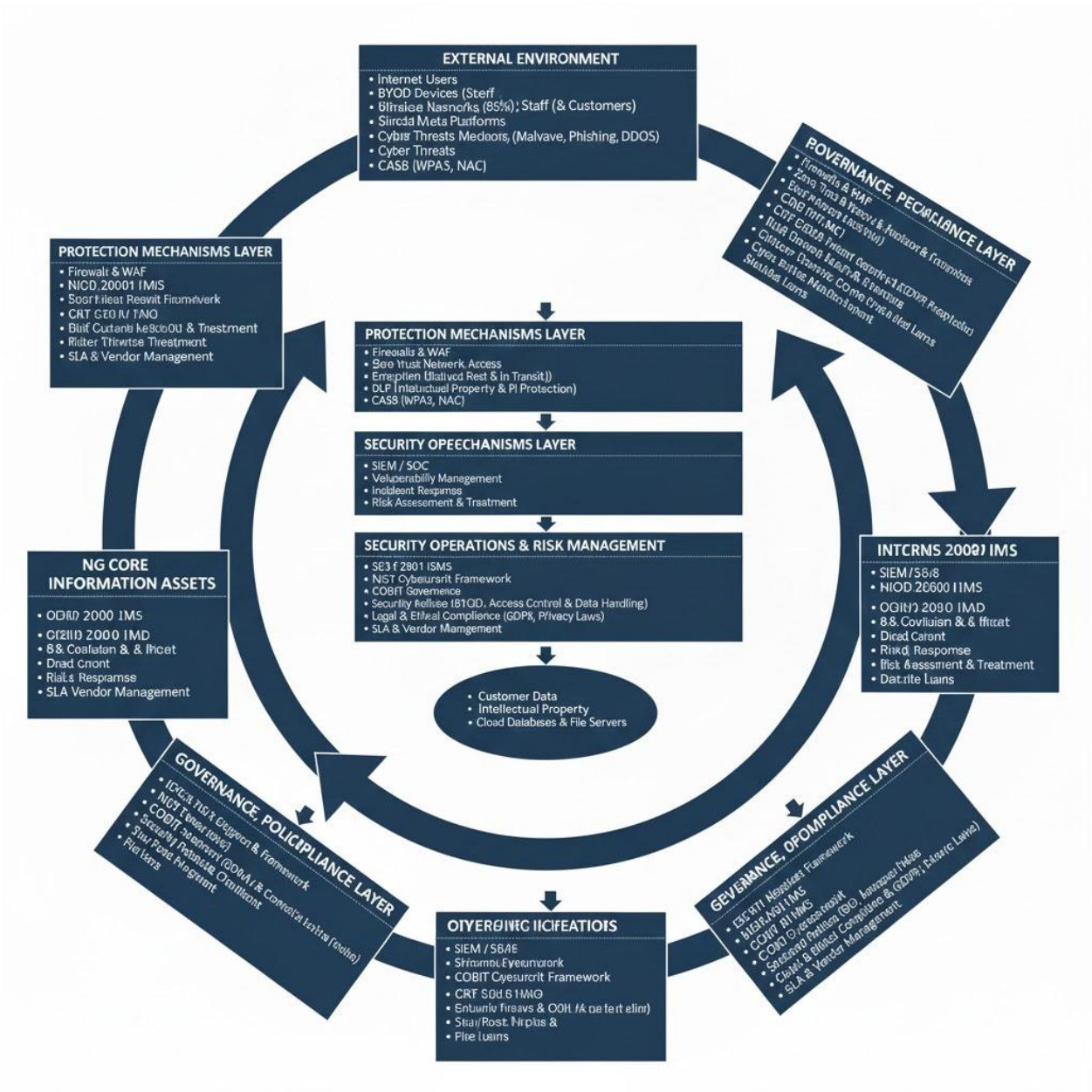
- Organizational cost vs Risk: the capital in updating policies and controls is essential as the cost fo breach far outwiehgt eh cost of maintaing current compliance due diligence.

- Legal Liability: courts often consider adherence to the latest establish standard like NIST os ISO as the proof of due care[8]. Organizations fails to adopt update stands expose themselves to enhance legal liability regulatiory fine under GDPR.

- Ethical responsibility: For a brank like NatureGreen, there is an ethical imperative to protect sustomer data using the best security practices outdate stands do not meets this ethical obligation.

4.3 Impact on governance, risk, and compliance

Keep standards update fundamentally transform the nature of GRC within an organization. Diagram below



- Governance : updating ensure governance is advanced dynamic and adaptive. This required the COBIT mandated SSC to continually review the risk appetite and make the decisions based on current best practices.

- Risk : latest stands introduce new control baseline, lowering the whole residual risk to the organization. Regular updats force the RMF procedures t o reassess controls against the new threats.

- Compliance : updates turn compliance onto a keep monitoring activity , need ongoing audits, check and corrective actions, shifting compolance from time to time into a business process

5.conclusion

NatureGreen's multi operational environment, represent it's global scale, cloud relicance, wireless technology and acute BYOD demand. Also prests significant security challenges compudned by its current plicy vacuum. The proposed method resolve this disarray through the strategic integration of all three aurthoritative frameworks COBIT establishes the required top down governance; ISO/IEC 27001:2022 implement a robust managing system and the NIST RISK management framework provides the structured process for continuous risk assessment and the deploy of specific controls such as ZTA, DLP. This mulit layersolution make sure the data safety and the protection of billions in intellectual property and compliance with international data privacy laws as well. Furthermore the analysis confirms that compliance is not static, the required of constantly updating regulations is driven by evolved technologies and threats requiring nature green to adopt a posture f continuous security. By implementing this GRC framewoks NG can transform its security posture from one of reactive disarray to one proactive resilience management.

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