

# Beware of Fake SMSes and Fake Phone Calls

A typical fraudulent SMS - NEVER ever click on the link



VM-alerts

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Dear Sanjay Srivastava,  
[IncomeTax]e-filing requires you to follow <https://bit.ly/2KQeQYg> in-order to submit a formal request for your approved refund of Rs50,990.09 which is your accumulated excesses over the years according to your payment column.N/B mobile verification is mandatory kindly install.

**This fraudulent SMS with the name of recipient will lure him/her to download a wicked app or to provide critical credentials like Aadhaar No., User ID, Password, Card No, PIN, OTP etc.**

**Income Tax Dept. or Banks never send such SMS or make any phone call asking the taxpayer/customer to provide any such credentials online.**