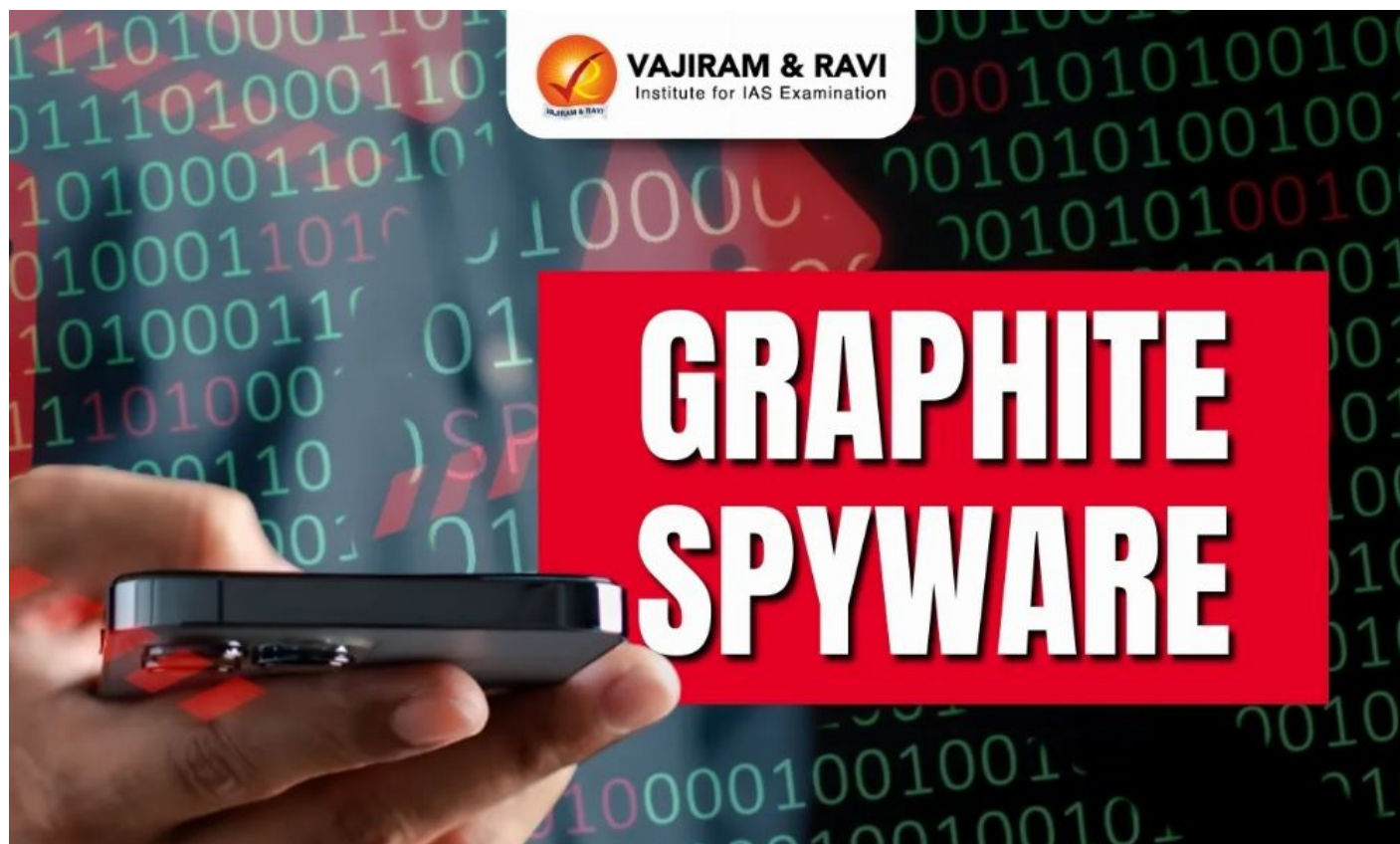


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Graphite Spyware Latest News

Recently, the Trump administration has unfrozen a stalled Biden-era contract with Paragon Solutions, a Graphite spyware company founded in Israel.

About Graphite Spyware

- Graphite spyware is designed to **gain remote access** to a **mobile phone** and essentially take control of it.
- **Working:** The user of the spyware can access the mobile user's photos, read their messages, and track their whereabouts and also monitor encrypted messages sent on platforms such as WhatsApp and Signal.
- The spyware also enables the phone to be used as a listening device by manipulating its recorder.

What are Spywares?

- It is **malicious software** that enters a user's computer, gathers data from the device and user, and sends it to **third parties without their consent**.

- It collects personal and sensitive information that it sends to advertisers, data collection firms, or malicious actors for a profit.
- Some of the most commonly used types of spyware include:
 - **Adware:** This sits on a device and monitors users' activity then sells their data to advertisers and malicious actors or serves up malicious ads.
 - **Infostealer:** This is a type of spyware that collects information from devices. It scans them for specific data and instant messaging conversations.
 - **Keyloggers:** Also known as keystroke loggers, keyloggers are a type of infostealer spyware.

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