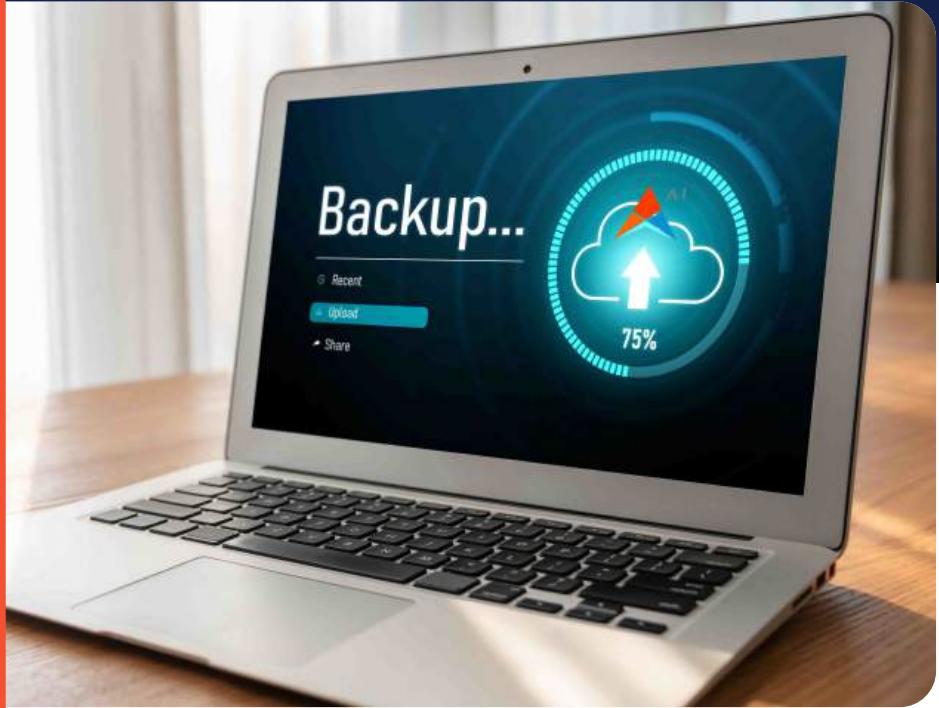# MEDIUM

BUSINESS BDR

RECOMMENDATIONS

Step	Description	Benefit
Hybrid Backups (Local + Cloud)	Implement both local backups to on-premises storage and cloud backups for offsite protection, ensuring quick recovery and safeguarding against disasters.	Offers fast access to recent data locally while providing offsite protection for full disaster recovery.
Incremental and Differential Backups	Use a combination of incremental and differential backups to reduce backup time and storage space, capturing only changes since the last backup or baseline.	Optimizes storage and backup time by only saving changed data, making the backup process more efficient.
Automated, Multi-Tier Scheduling	Set up automated backups with different frequencies for critical data (e.g., hourly) and non-critical data (e.g., daily or weekly) for optimized recovery points.	Ensures more frequent recovery points for critical data while balancing storage and backup schedules.
Data Retention Policies by Data Type	Establish retention policies based on data importance, retaining critical data for longer periods and archiving or deleting non-critical data after a set timeframe.	Manages storage effectively by retaining essential data while controlling costs through selective data archiving.
Routine Backup Testing and Validation	Conduct regular restore tests and validations on a schedule to ensure backup integrity and readiness for real-time recovery.	Guarantees that backups are functional and can be quickly restored, reducing risk during an emergency.
Managed Backup and Disaster Recovery Services	Consider a managed provider for end-to-end BDR services, including monitoring, maintenance, support, and rapid disaster recovery assistance to minimize downtime.	Provides continuous support, maintenance, and fast recovery, reducing the burden on internal resources and minimizing downtime.