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NIC is introducing a new web based VPN interface to allow users to connect to NICNET through VPN. Apart from existing Client based VPN service, this new interface automatically identified the OS of the clients system, downloads and installs the compatible VPN client software accordingly. Unlike the older options where the IPSec VPN client software has required to be installed and configured by the user. The new Web VPN software is provided by the VPN appliance manufacturer 'Cisco AnyConnect VPN client' and is loaded on the security appliance and automatically deployed to remote users when they log in to the security appliance.

Cisco AnyConnect VPN Client, Version 2.0, connects remote users with the Cisco VPN Appliance using the Secure Socket Layer (SSL) protocol(SSL VPN) unlike IPSec VPN.

The AnyConnect client provides supports to remote end client systems running Microsoft Vista, Windows 7, Windows XP or Windows 2000, Linux, or Macintosh OS X.

Requirements

The system requirements to install the Cisco AnyConnect VPN Client on each of the supported platforms are given below.

Operating System	Computer	Requirements
Windows 2000 SP4. Windows XP SP2. Windows Vista. Windows 7	Computer with a Pentium [®] -class processor or greater. In addition, x64 or x86 processors are supported for Windows XP and Windows Vista.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 MB hard disk space. • RAM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 128 MB for Windows 2000. – 256 MB for Windows XP. – 512 MB for Windows Vista. • Microsoft Installer, version 3.1.
The following Linux distributions have been tested and are known to work with the AnyConnect Client, while following the requirements listed in this document: • Red Hat Enterprise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer with an Intel i386 or higher processor. • 32-bit processors are supported. • Biarch 64-bit - standalone mode only; web-based 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RAM: 32 MB. • About 20 MB hard disk space. • sudo access for the security appliance to download and install the AnyConnect client, or to update the AnyConnect client. • sudo: 1.6.6 or later required.

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Linux 3. • Fedora Core 4 or higher. • Slackware 11 or 12.1. • SuSE 10.1.	install/connect is not supported.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • glibc users must have glibc 2.3.2 installed. For example, libc.so.6 or higher. • libstdc++ users must have libstdc++ version 3.3.2 (libstdc++.so.5) or higher, but below version 4. • Firefox: required 1.0 or later (with libnss3.so installed in /usr/local/lib, /usr/local/firefox/lib, or /usr/lib). • libcurl: required 7.10 or later. • openssl: required 0.9.7a or later. • java: required 1.5 or later. • zlib: required 1.2.3 or later. • gtk: required 2.0.0, gdk: required 2.0.0, libpango: required 1.0. • iptables: 1.2.7a or later. • kernel: tun.o loadable module required. The tun module supplied with kernel 2.4.21 or later is required.
Mac OS X, Version 10.4 or later	Macintosh computer ¹	50 MB hard disk space

Note: ¹The AnyConnect VPN Client is not compatible with Parallels Desktop for Mac.

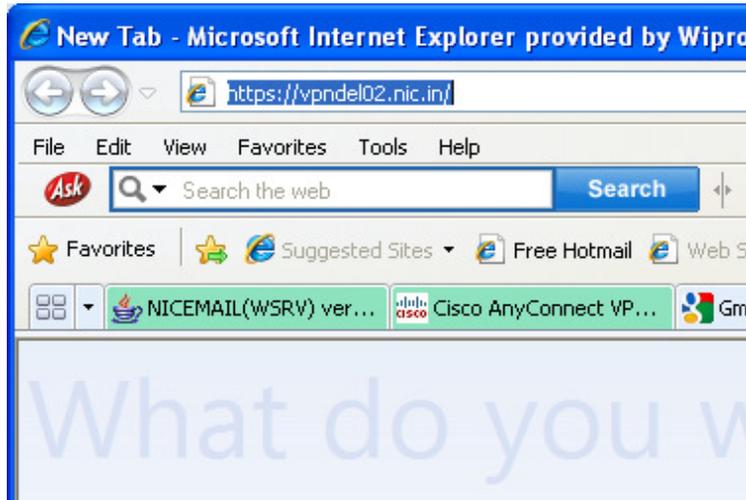
Prior to installing this software, the user has to get the VPN account and Digital certificate from NIC.

Procedure to configure Cisco AnyConnect VPN software

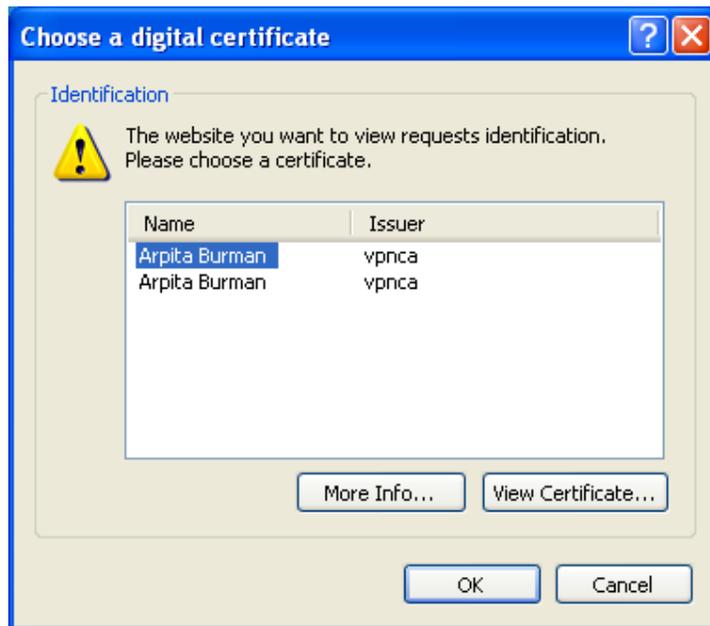
1. Download the CA root certificate from <http://nicca.nic.in> or <http://vpnca.nic.in> as per the Issuer of the Digital certificate provided .
2. Add the site 'vpndel02.nic.in' as in the list of trusted sites in the browser.
3. Install the Digital certificate. Refer ' Procedure to Import Digital Certificate' available in vpn support site.

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- Connect to '<https://vpndel02.nic.in/>' using the Web Browser.



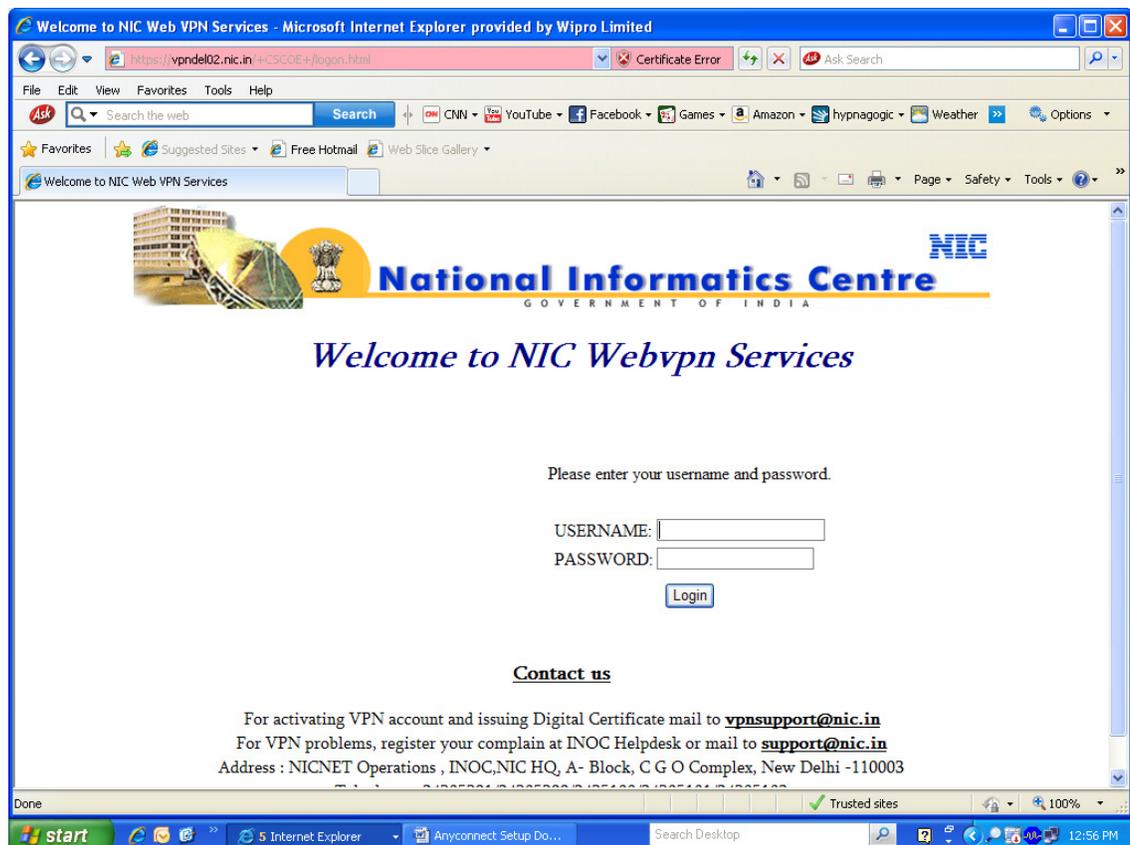
- The browser will prompt the list of Digital certificate (DC) installed in the system. Select the desired DC .



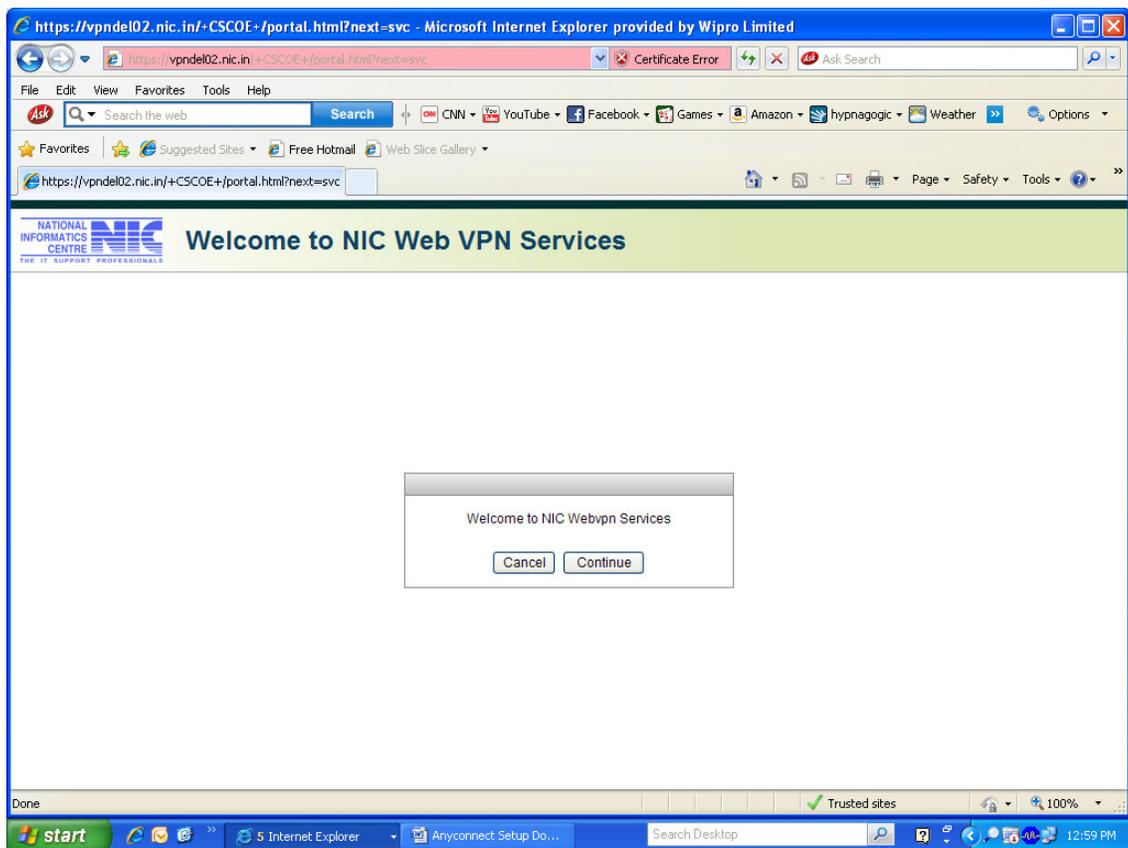
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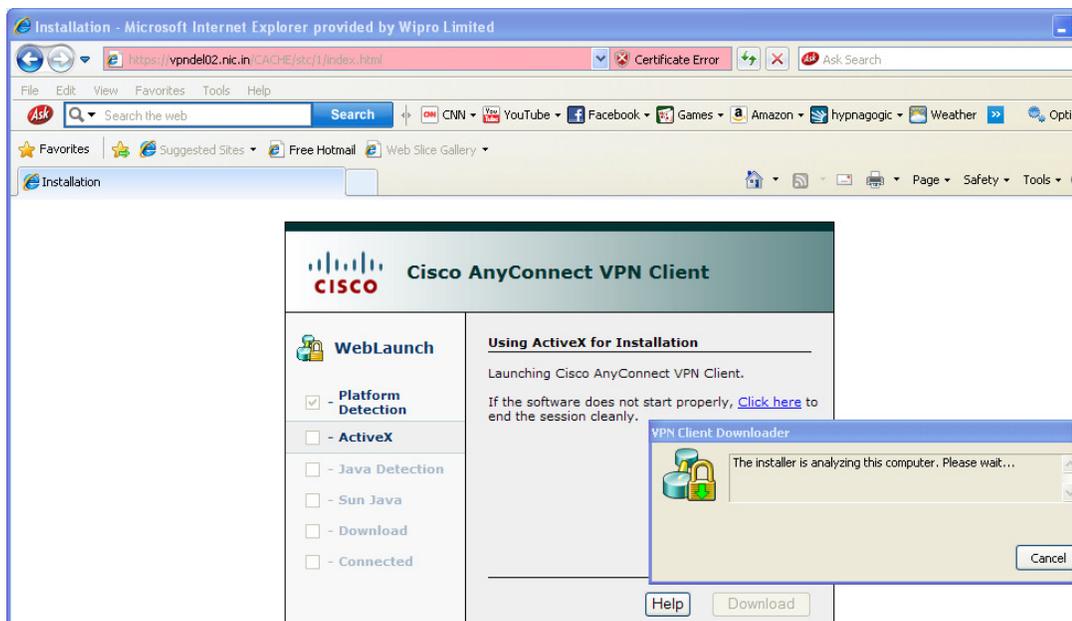
6. Give the private key.
7. Give the VPN account and password and select login.



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8. Select 'continue'
9. The VPN client software would be downloaded automatically .

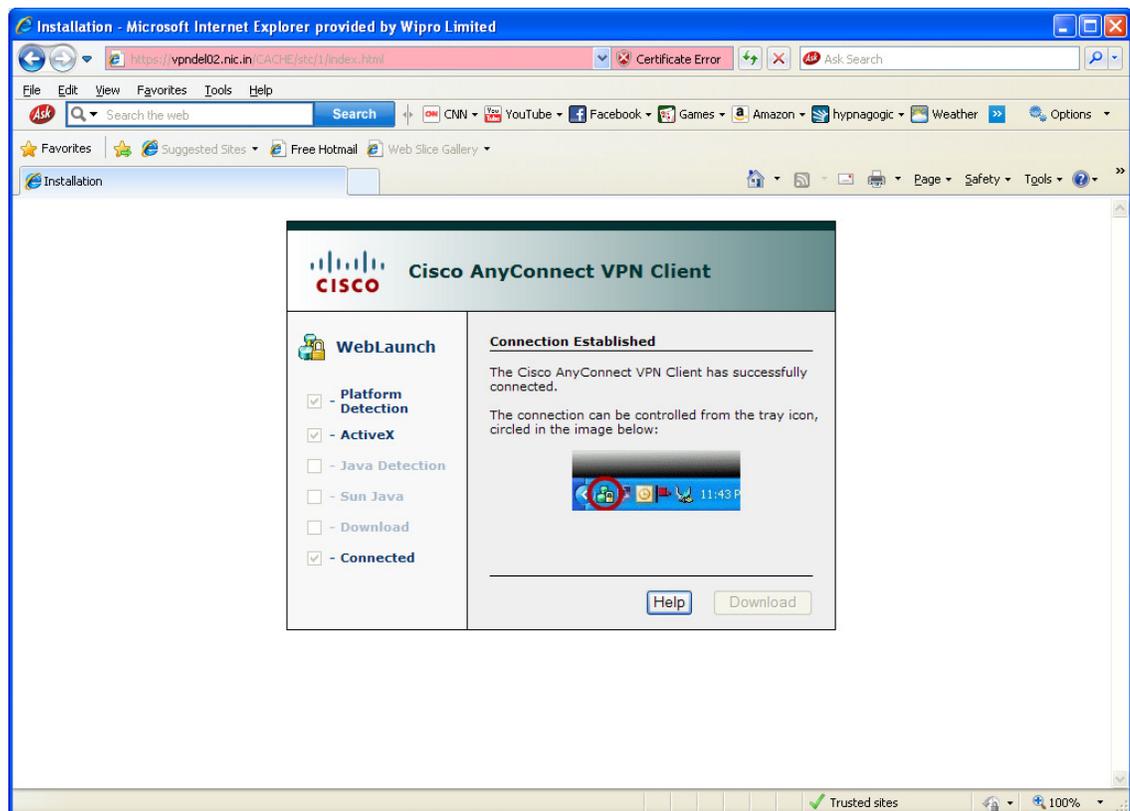


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10. Select 'Yes' if the following error comes .



11. The VPN SSL client would be automatically installed and the VPN connection would be established.

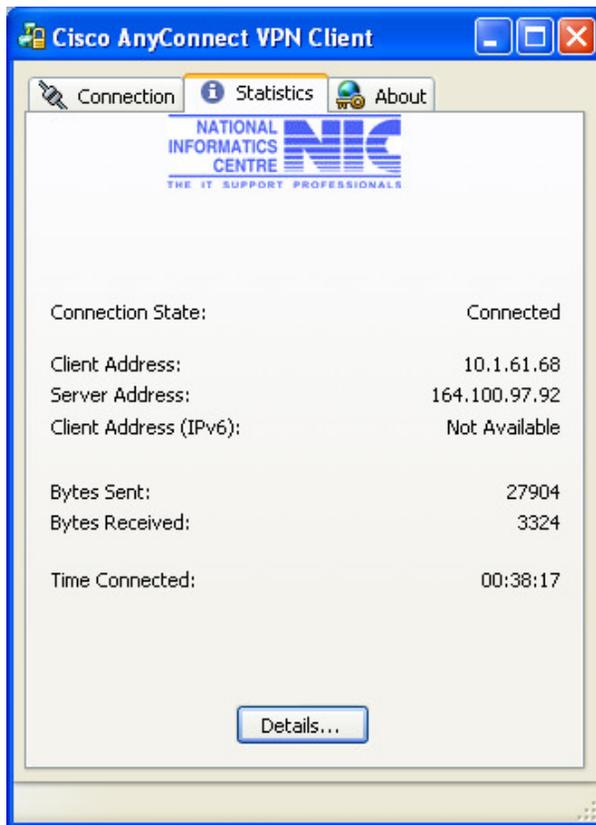


12. The VPN statistics can be viewed by selecting the VPN Icon created in the right side of the bottom.

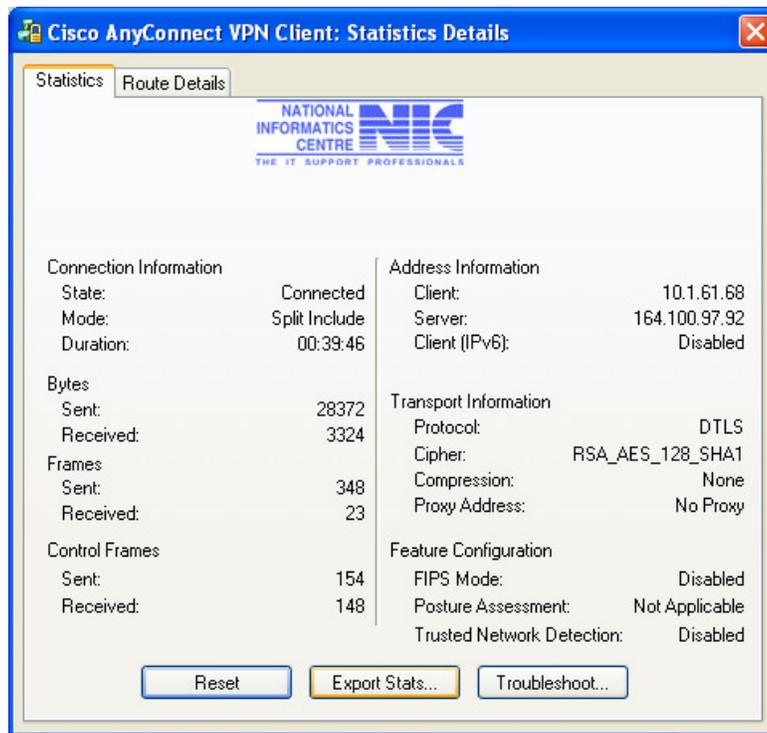
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13. The VPN Connection status, Client IP and IP routes can be viewed.



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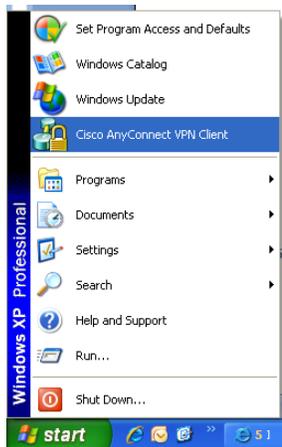


14. Once the VPN connection is established , the Cisco Anyconnect application will be added in the list of the program . And will appear in the program list/ startup.

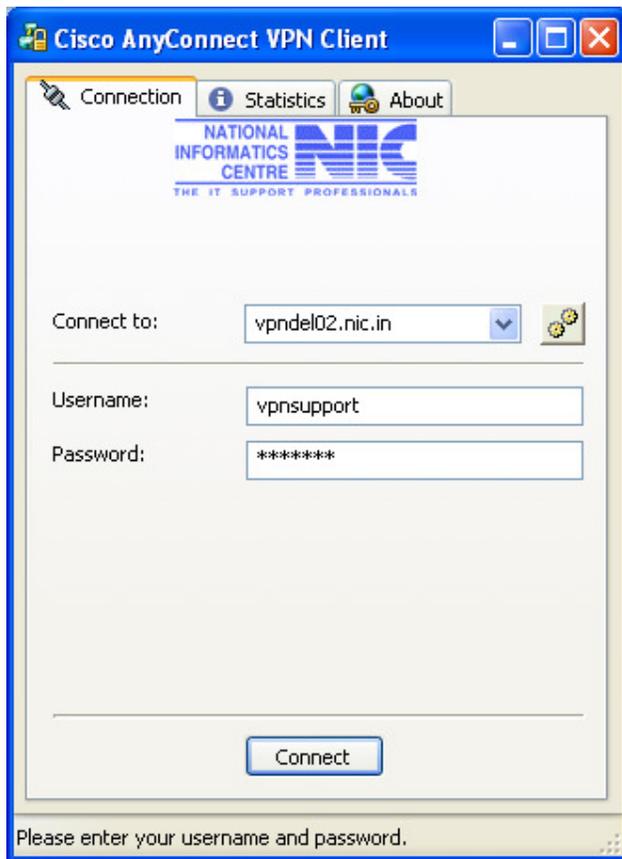


15. Next time the VPN Client application can be initiated directly from the desktop .

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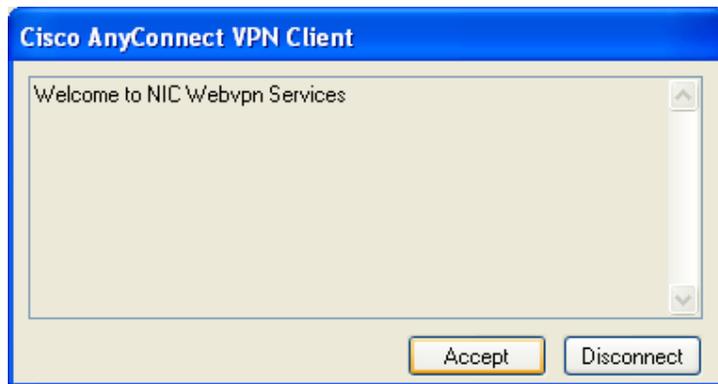


16. The VPN client can be selected and it will prompt for the private key for the DC.



17. Enter the VPN username and password and select connect.

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18. Select 'Accept' and continue.
19. After the VPN connection is established , the user can access the required secure applications.
20. If any different option/ error appears , then report the same to vpnsupport@nic.in.
21. The Auto-downloadable feature has been tested for Windows XP, Windows Vista , Window 7 (32 bit as well as 64 bit) . However if you have any issues in auto downloading , then you can install the Cisco Any connect software directly. Cisco Any connect software is available in VPN support site under section 'software' in Zip format. The Zip file has Cisco Any connect software for Windows, Linux and MAC. Pls check the compatibility of your OS before installation.