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Subject: VPS: sshd dead but subsys locked  
Posted by [whatever](#) on Fri, 25 May 2007 12:13:34 GMT  
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In VPS SSH is down

ssh status  
sshd dead but subsys locked

I removed /var/lockssys/sshd and then try starting SSH. It shows start OK but again after seconds. subsys locked

can anyone suggest how to fix this?

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Subject: Re: VPS: sshd dead but subsys locked  
Posted by [Vasily Tarasov](#) on Fri, 25 May 2007 12:20:59 GMT  
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Can you tell me what VE template do you use?

Thank you,  
Vasily.

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Posted by [whatever](#) on Fri, 25 May 2007 12:26:53 GMT  
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Kernel: 2.6.9-023stab040.1-enterprise #1 SMP Tue Jan 16 01:09:22 MSK 2007 i686 i686 i386  
GNU/Linux

VPS: Template CentOS

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One more vps SSH died

Stopping sshd:[ OK ]  
Starting sshd:PRNG is not seeded  
[FAILED]

Any idea?

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Subject: Re: VPS: sshd dead but subsys locked  
Posted by [curx](#) on Fri, 25 May 2007 17:24:37 GMT  
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Hi,

in your VE /dev/random is missing, create it with:

```
# mknod /dev/random c 1 8
```

It's a self-built OSTEMPLATE, or download one ?

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I am using standard centos template.  
I created random then deleted  
/var/lock/subsys/sshd

Tried restarting SSH. It shows start ok but after couple of seconds same error sshd dead but subsys locked

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Subject: Re: VPS: sshd dead but subsys locked  
Posted by [Vasily Tarasov](#) on Sat, 26 May 2007 12:36:36 GMT  
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Only the access to you node can help )

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Subject: Re: VPS: sshd dead but subsys locked  
Posted by [whatever](#) on Sun, 27 May 2007 06:11:05 GMT  
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Can you please check your PM

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Posted by [whatever](#) on Tue, 29 May 2007 05:00:09 GMT  
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I created one more VPS on same node. When I tried starting httpd got following errors.

```
[root@localhost ~]# service httpd start
Starting httpd: Syntax error on line 68 of /etc/httpd/conf.d/ssl.conf:
SSLRandomSeed: source path '/dev/urandom' does not exist
```

[FAILED]

I did `mknod /dev/urandom c 1 9`  
and it started httpd.

When I rebooted this new VPS. It's also giving the same problem.  
sshd dead but subsys locked

Tnx

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Subject: Re: VPS: sshd dead but subsys locked  
Posted by [whatever](#) on Mon, 11 Jun 2007 04:03:58 GMT  
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Any updates on this?

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Subject: Re: VPS: sshd dead but subsys locked  
Posted by [michiman](#) on Sun, 24 Jun 2007 02:09:37 GMT  
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Yes, if you can run `"/usr/sbin/sshd -d"` then this should fix.  
remove `/dev/null`  
and then: `"mknod /dev/null c 1 3"`

More info here:  
<http://www.linuxquestions.org/questions/showthread.php?postid=1417720>