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CoWIN Data Leak - Aadhaar, PAN Card Info, On Covid Portal, Made Public By Telegram

Why In The News?

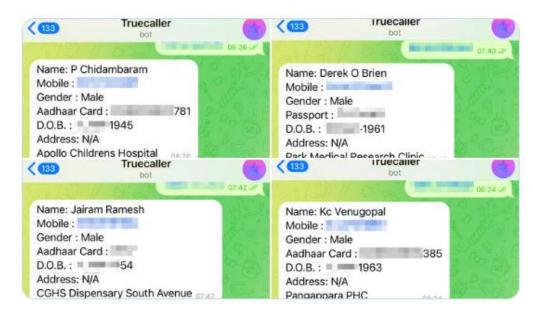
- Claims Of A **Massive Data Breach** Emerged On Monday With The Government Later Promising To Investigate The Matter. The Purported Breach Has Affected All Indian Citizens - Including **High-Profile Political Leaders** - Who Had Uploaded Their Information On The **Cowin Vaccination Portal.**
- Personal Information Of Indian Citizens, Including Their Aadhaar Card, And PAN Card Details Are Available On Messaging Platform Telegram. The Development Was Also Flagged By Opposition Leaders Including TMC's Saket Gokhale Who Tweeted His Interactions With The Telegram Chatbot.



CoWIN Data leak! Aadhaar, PAN Card info, shared on Covid vaccination portal, made public by Telegram: Report

What Do We Know?

- The Report Said That When A Mobile Number Registered With The Cowin Portal Is Entered, The Telegram Bot Discloses The Number Of The ID Card Used For Vaccination Along With Gender, Birth Year, And Name Of The Vaccination Centre, And His/Her Doses.
- The **Developers Of The Telegram Bot** That Exposed The Sensitive Information From The Leaked Co-win Database **Are Disabled Now**. The Developers Of The Bot Took The Step After Manorama Broke The Story.
- Government Officials Have Also Rejected The Hacking Of The Cowin App But Added They Are Probing If There Was Any Unauthorized Access To The Cowin App.



Earlier Such Cases:

- In 2021, Reports Emerged That Cowin Portal Got Hacked, And Resulted In The Sale Of The Database Of 15 Crore People.
- However, Cyber Security Researchers Denied The Claim. In Fact, In January This Year, RS Sharma, Chief Executive Officer Of The National Health Authority Vouched For The Cowin Portal.



#CoWIN has state-of-the-art security infrastructure and has never faced a security breach. Data of our citizens on CoWIN is absolutely **#safe** and **#secure**. Any news about data leaks from CoWIN holds no merit.

How Govt Responded?

- The Government Has Responded To The Claims Of Cowin Data Leak, Saying That The Reports Of A Breach Are **"Mischievous In Nature"**. The Government Has Also Maintained That The Data Is **"Completely Safe"**.
- In A Press Release, The Government Said, "It Is Clarified That All Such Reports Are Without Any Basis And Mischievous In Nature. Cowin Portal Of Health Ministry Is Completely Safe With Adequate Safeguards For Data Privacy."
- "Only OTP Authentication-based Access Of Data Is Provided. All Steps Have Been Taken And Are Being Taken To Ensure Security Of The Data In The Cowin Portal," It Said.



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