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India to share indigenous vaccination platform tech with 50 countries on goodwill

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CoWIN technology is a uniquely scalable and inclusive platform to manage coronavirus vaccinations



More than 50 countries around the world from Latin America, Africa, and Asia have shown interest in India's vaccination system and the country is ready to share the technology free of cost. India's CoWIN technology, a platform to manage coronavirus vaccinations.

Addressing the 2nd Public Health Summit 2021 organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), CEO of National Health Authority, Dr R.S. Sharma said that the CoWIN portal for vaccination is unique in the world in terms of portability, scalability, and inclusivity. It is a citizen-centric platform and that 300 million-plus registrations and vaccinations with granular details of each individual are available on the portal with a very simple process of registration.

In his address, Dr Randeep Guleria, Director, AIIMS, Delhi called for a robust health care system in India with about 2.5% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) as health budget. He also underlined the need for close collaboration between the centre and the states on health issues despite health being a state subject. Guleria further called for equitable access to healthcare in rural and remote areas, stressing there is a need for augmentation of specialised manpower and up-gradation of health infra in the country.

Speaking at the event, the union minister Jitendra Singh said that COVID-19 has strengthened the public-private partnership model in India's healthcare system with a win-win situation for both. He said that this partnership between industry and public health experts can work on different models such as health care and diagnostics delivery, vaccine development, research and development, telemedicine facilities for rural areas, and the digital delivery of medicines. The minister said that this partnership could be a game-changer and will truly transform the health sector in India.