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### Telangana nod for StaTwig's blockchain solution


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HYDERABAD: To ensure safe delivery of Covid-19 vaccines, the Telangana government has recommended to the Union health ministry that it can explore the usage of Blockchain solution — Vaccine Ledger — by Hyderabad-founded startup, StaTwig, Telangana industries principal secretary Jayesh Ranjan said on Wednesday.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Telangana industries principal secretary Jayesh Ranjan recommends StaTwig's blockchain solution to Centre</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It can record journey of a vaccine from the manufacturer to the consumer</li><li>• The platform captures serial numbers, expiry dates as well as other manufacturing data using 2D Bar codes</li><li>• It uses them to scan the vaccines at various touch points along their journey</li></ul>



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# Blockchain, AI to deter counterfeiting: Jayesh

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Illicit trade adversely impacts the manufacturing strength of the nation and if not checked will act as a barrier to the government’s vision of making India a global manufacturing hub, he said. CBI former Director and FICCI CASCADE Think Tank Member Anil Sinha, emphasized on the need for policies and regulations which distinctiveness such illegal activity.

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"Long time multiplier effect of crimes such as counterfeiting, and smuggling is very harmful to the society at large and impacts effective governance," said Ranjan, while addressing a webinar on 'Combating counterfeiting and Smuggling during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond'. It was held by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).

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