

19. FAKE VACCINATION CALL

One day, Raju received a call from an unknown number.

"I am calling from the Local health Centre. We are calling to provide the vaccination facility at your home."



"Oh! Okay. But we can do it through the COWIN App only, right?"



"Yes Sir, but the home vaccination facility is not available on the App."



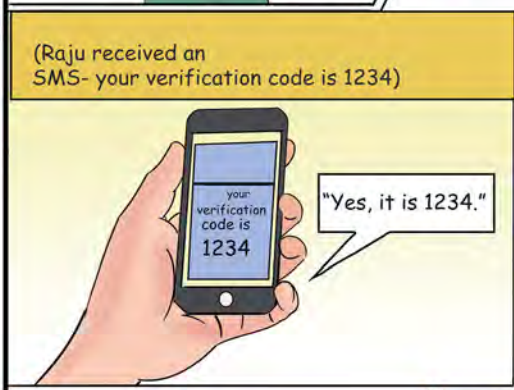
"Are there any extra charges?"

"No Sir, it is free of cost. I will verify your address and you will get registered for the vaccine. Please tell me your Aadhaar and PAN card details."



Do's:

- ✓ Read the entire SMS to read the purpose of OTP.
- ✓ Report the incident to the nearest Cyber Crime Police Station and National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal at <https://cybercrime.gov.in>.



The call got disconnected. After some time, Raju got an SMS

The fraudster tricked Raju into sharing his PAN number and OTP for taking a loan of Rs-50,000 on behalf of Raju. Taking a loan based on Raju's PAN number makes Raju liable to pay back the loan to XYZ Company.



Don'ts:

- × Don't share your Aadhaar, PAN card details and OTP with strangers. PAN card-based OTP is used for various financial services including cash withdrawal from bank accounts. Therefore, it is extremely important to protect your confidential details like Aadhaar and PAN cards from fraudsters.