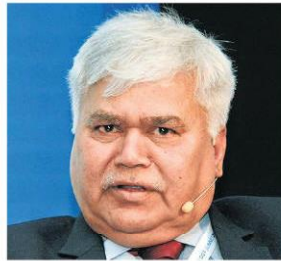# 'Data on Sharma was not hacked from UIDAI servers'

Facts put out on Twitter already in public domain: Authority

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The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) on Sunday issued a statement dismissing the claims by several individuals that they had obtained the personal details of TRAI Chairman R.S. Sharma using his Aadhaar number. All the details were in the public domain and can be accessed without Aadhaar, the UIDAI said.

The statement, issued on Twitter, follows claims made by several individuals on the social media platform that they had obtained Mr. Sharma's PAN, phone number, date of birth, and address using his Aadhaar number after he shared it on social media and issued a challenge for anybody to harm him using it.

R.S. Sharma

"UIDAI strongly dismisses the claims made by certain elements on Twitter and a section of media that they have fetched personal details of Shri Ram Sewak Sharma who is a public servant using his Aadhaar number," the statement said.

"UIDAI condemns such malicious attempts by few individuals to malign the world's largest unique identity project – Aadhaar." The UIDAI added that "Aadhaar has built the digital trust among people at large and these devious elements are trying to spread misinformation."

Database safe

"Aadhaar database is totally safe and has proven its security robustness over the last eight years," the statement added. "UIDAI emphatically stated that any information published on Twitter about the said individual Shri R.S. Sharma was not fetched from Aadhaar database or UIDAI's servers."

The statement went on to say that the "hacked" information about Mr. Sharma was available in the public domain and did not need Aadhaar to obtain them.