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A Web Based App for Land Registry on Blockchain

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Abstract: Property registration is a subject that hardly ever crosses the thoughts of most people outside of the actual property sector, besides for whilst they're concerned in an actual property transaction themselves. Even then, it's typically taken into consideration one of the mundane administrative matters, a rubber-stamping exercise that's way much less tangibly thrilling than gathering the keys to a brand-new home. However, the critical role of property registration within the actual property markets cannot be understated. Property registry in India as well as in many parts of the world is very slow and cumbersome process. The onset of the Blockchain technology inside Bitcoin, has generated a super deal of hobby through displaying a possibility to remove the central floor wished and remodel verbal exchange among humans and machines through growing trust. Originally restrained to the included forex domain, it has created an impact on different sectors as well. Developing a system that now not only accelerates the technique of land registration, however additionally makes it less difficult for Buyers, Sellers and Government registrars to switch the land possession from vendor to a brand new client whilst addressing troubles which include file integrity, privacy, and most significantly the lack of common platforms among concerned organizations. The system that we're seeking to enforce is primarily based on Ethereum Blockchain that will store all the transactions made at some stage in the process of land ownership transfer. Using the idea of smart contracts of blockchain technology we are able to trigger diverse activities like access of land documents to a land inspector and fund transfer event from client to vendor after a successful verification of the land possession switch. Ultimately the motive of this idea is to check the general overall performance of a blockchain primarily based totally on land revenue & recording automation machines. A peer-to-peer tamper-proof and forge-proof network was used for this motive, the use of a Blockchain-accredited permission such as Ethereum network. The system is connected to the Interplanetary File System to manage secure document records. Using the system, validation of the lands is likewise viable as immutable transactions are being saved with inside the public ledger.

Keywords: Blockchain, Ethereum, IPFS, Passport, peer-to-peer, decentralized, land record management.

I. INTRODUCTION

For land, being a high-valued asset, it's very vital to have correct statistics which discover the present-day proprietor and offer the evidence that he's certainly a proprietor. Storing touchy facts like assets papers desires a stable and intact database. These statistics may be used to:

- A. Protect proprietor's rights
- B. Prevent sale frauds
- C. Resolve disputes
- D. Make positive possession is efficaciously transferred to a brand-new possession

Thus, it's far essential to preserve correctness and completeness of this facts, and save you unauthorized, fraudulent changes. Land registration techniques consist of many stakeholders and range in step with neighbourhood laws. Currently human beings depend third party, i.e., government agencies which are accountable for maintaining tune of possession facts. This third party maintains all of the statistics within the centralized database.

Hence, to switch the possession, it turns into hard and gradual to first discover and confirm the land after which the possession switch takes place. It is feasible to maintain tune of the asset's possession if we've an allotted machine which shops all of the land records and proportion it to some of the fascinated buyers.

This might eliminate the intermediaries. And supplier can at once touch the consumer. Thereby disposing of the more value and time this is had to be spent at the intermediaries. At minimal a blockchain primarily based totally ledger is wanted that shops the transactions achieved within the method of land possession switch. This hassle is solved through Satoshi Nakamoto in his paper approximately bitcoins while he created. Implementation of programs the usage of blockchain ensures the exceptional of virtual statistics this is being used.

- 1) Storing the facts in a blockchain,
- 2) For correctness protocol regulations may be used,
- 3) And for figuring out the proprietor public key cryptography may be used.

One of the helps of the brand-new paradigm is the blockchain era, in which the combat towards corruption and value discount are conformed as ensures of this era, however it's far exactly in its conjunction with the special governments in which each field should be nicely adapted. Ethereum is a loose open-supply platform which enables builders to construct and installation decentralized Applications which include smart contracts and different complex felony and monetary programs. Ethereum is sort of a programmable Bitcoin in which builders can use the underlying blockchain to create markets, shared ledgers, virtual organizations, and different countless answers utility to a hassle that want immutable statistics and agreements, all without the want for a moderator or realtor. Released in 2015, Ethereum is the brainchild of the prodigious Vitalik Buterin, who noticed the capability makes use of of Bitcoin's underlying blockchain era as the following steps in rushing the growth of the blockchain community. Ethereum is now presently the cryptocurrency with the second one maximum coin marketplace cap and is anticipated through a few to surpass Bitcoin as each a valued funding and because the world's maximum famous cryptocurrency. Hence, Ethereum is quality ideal for developing a ledger that shops transactions at some stage in the land possession switch method. The intention is to create a ledger together with a few smart contracts as a way to trigger the numerous activities which are going to occur at the machine at some stage in the method of possession switch.

The roles withinside the system are:

- a) Buyer: Buyers desires to check in himself through imparting the files issued through authorities. Then he can see the land that is available.
- b) Seller: supplier desires to check in himself as a supplier, he'll add images of the land, together with the files of the land. Moreover, he desires to pin the land at the map.
- c) Land inspector: An official from land registration authority's agency, he inspects the files as soon as any supplier approves the request of consumer to shop for the land.

II. PROPOSED SYSTEM

We now suggest a scientific block-chain system or implementation primarily based totally on a smart land possession agreement and the switch of a land possession document withinside the shape of subdivision. This method will permit us to control all components of belongings possession which includes land redistribution, genetic prices and disputed land stocks for everlasting and community-assured leases.

Users of the proposed system are government officers. All access rights are granted to authorities and all approaches are finished through public servants. If all of us desires to check in their belongings, purchase or promote the belongings, you may want to go to the registration workplace to do the equal and the desired paintings can be performed through the authorities. Process-associated asset data are encrypted and saved on IPFS to ensure security.

A. Consideration

There are some issues that we need to consider in relation to the physical world and its interplay with our portable record keeping system.

Mapping in a particular token format: The system evolved for this places maps in all parts of the world with a specific number of tokens primarily based totally at the ERC20 token. Any kind of precise token system cannot be specified through the system

There isn't any guarantee of non-compliance: The system does now no longer assure that the renewal of possession statistics through the contemporary proprietor of a chunk of land is performed voluntarily or below duress of overseas affairs. As the data are evidently transparent, government and stakeholders might also additionally cancel the exam at any time.

Reliance on foreign money transactions: Transfers of worldwide stocks, as tokens are nonetheless distributed, will now no longer assure actual monetary transactions in some other manner.

Reliance on the central country wide website: The system is predicated at the country wide data system to switch land possession to successive heirs after the demise of a resident. The system isn't accountable for any non-compliance with citizen registration.

Verification of current land possession statistics: The proposed system assumes that the statistics associated with the contemporary possession of land and homes to citizens is true.

B. Model

The proposed system, as compared to a unmarried factor of important system structure failure, has received a deeper hand in phrases of protection and resilience. Data storage withinside the shape of Directed Acyclic Graphs throughout all system nodes. The downfall of a full-fledged assurance of land possession through a single enterprise has brought about many failures, requiring a committed supply of time and monetary assist of consequences that now and again result in some other segment of controversy. In contrast, the system, which has a robust statistics storage and protection environment, has obtained an advanced shape of system rating and verification. One settlement and agreements assure the validity of all land and belongings transactions. In addition, agreement time stamps which includes wills and mortgages also are dealt with for the cause of creating legitimate hours only. Many different instances regarding the switch of land and belongings are dealt with through a assure of a unfastened fairness scheme. The system adheres strictly to the hybrid Blockchain asset withinside the shape of enterprise settlement in all transactions. System data will only be available for viewing by Blockchain members. Members outside the visual range will not only be able to view the properties for sale but at the cost of registration under Blockchain thus ensuring that there is no external communication of Blockchain data with unauthorized people of restricted areas. The permit system redefines the fundamental idea of dependable access to data storage. The distinct version of the proposed system, encompasses the numerous organizations worried withinside the Expansion Plan.

The application normally includes a "Genesis listing" containing the real constructing IDs of all acquired land and neighbourhood IDs received through senior authorities. A two-way settlement among a brand-new proprietor and an antique proprietor initiates the manner of selling the land among them without the involvement or involvement of a 3rd celebration as a contemporary scheme. Although the addition of any citizen does now no longer require the consent of some other Blockchain organization, the affirmation of a brand-new member ought to be performed thru a country wide recording system. The citizenship recording system will take obligation for making sure that the brand-new member lives withinside the country. Here, a token manufacturing system is hooked up that verifies the member in opposition to the statistics retention system to show the member's nationality. Only after validating data, the proposed system permits a member to sign up for Blockchain to view actual property on the market. Since all landowners are indexed withinside the Genesis listing of the plan, the presence of the contemporary proprietor of the belongings without a plan is destroyed. The entire plan is written in a separate code this is accountable for making all of the vital contractual preparations for the primary plan. The strategies outline every piece of land as compared to a constructing ID that ought to be divided into one hundred million small tokens so one can divide the evolved world into stages and transfer it in part or completely, releasing up the distribution of land weight among distinctive members.

The system has 3 fundamental capabilities for efficiency.

- 1) Government Authority
- 2) Land Owner
- 3) Non-Members of Blockchain

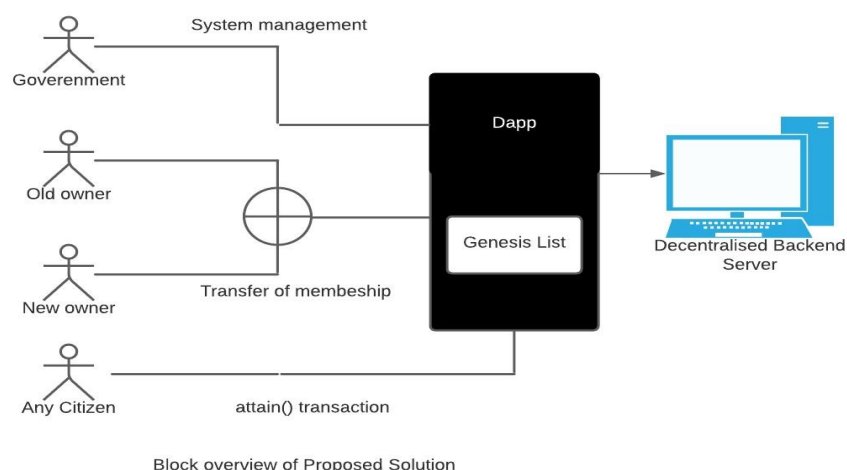


Fig. 1 Block overview of the proposed solution

Government Authority: This enterprise is supplied with a unique deal with that can't be surpassed directly to every other district resident or different member of Blockchain. This enterprise will begin with a application that manages the genesis block. In the following step, site IDs are nevertheless dispensed among the addresses of the respective proprietors. Any sort of disputed land or actual land misplaced because of unavoidable natural situations may be declared null and void by the address of government officials. Therefore, such tokens will now no longer be eligible for any switch of possession. This is the legal deal with and has the electricity to terminate the operation of the system by declaring that all tokens are invalid and do not work in the event of an emergency or non-natural disassembly.

Land Owner: All assets IDs may be mapped to the address of the proprietor who has the ability to break up tokens into smaller tokens and transfer possession of map tokens amongst different nodes in Blockchain with the permission of the brand-new proprietor or new member of Blockchain. If tokens are mapped with owner's address called blank and blank, the tokens will now no longer be able to parse or switch them, despite the fact that the unique owners' records will continue to be valid.

Non-members of Blockchain: Any citizen of the country, after confirmation of a proper national record-keeping system, may also be a part of Blockchain without any other form of agreement to be met. The node can most effectively view information of residences which can be on sale by present landowners. After obtaining possession of a specific a part of the token, the address is added to the genesis block and referred to as the current token owner. The transaction is recorded on a blockchain similar to requests made by the vendor and the buyer. The above businesses work simultaneously to maintain the integrity of the system. The luxury of moving land possession with none sort of office work or criminal strategies eliminates the problem of investing money and time for trivial reasons.

C. Architecture

Following a separate use of a application, the country code written in Solidity, the whole Turing language, is accountable for the supply of smart contracts and the precise implementation of the so-referred to as divisional applications. Tasks are completely operational to disrupt the operation of the system and to install, exit, and choices for system prospects. Below we listing the important thing capabilities of a smart contract and their interaction.

1) **Data Structure:** Acyclic Directed Graph is used to shop and reflect records on all Blockchain nodes. The unique records shape is the Genesis block, that's made as an "occasion" due to its reasonably-priced manner of storing goods, which incorporates the identity of IDs that assist the proprietors' addresses and area and the information of obtaining assets withinside the shape of a tree. Any fragmentation of a piece of land, taken as tokens, may be segmented and the brand-new site IDs are saved withinside the genesis block which will switch possession. Ancestor records about the identification line of all tokens is saved towards the IDs of the token group structure. **Government address:** The existing address is provided as the government's address for handling any emergency and non-compliance case in respect of global tokens. Originally, the genesis block changed into referred to as authorities maps and addresses. This non-transferable address has the potential to assign a blank and blank value to any token or disconnection of the system under any natural or non-natural conditions. This first-order node only needs authentication, in any other case all different operations do now no longer require legal power. **Resident nodes:** Generate random addresses for every property owner with a map to token IDs under the precise address. The data structure is described with the aid of using the fields of the current owner's address, the addresses of the preceding proprietors, the time of day, and flags to interpret the state of the world. It will even have the following address for all kid's building IDs and addresses of preceding proprietors of various classes of tokens. The flag may be assigned a value of 0 or 1 to signify the income repute of a certain percentage of tokens.

2) *Functionality:*

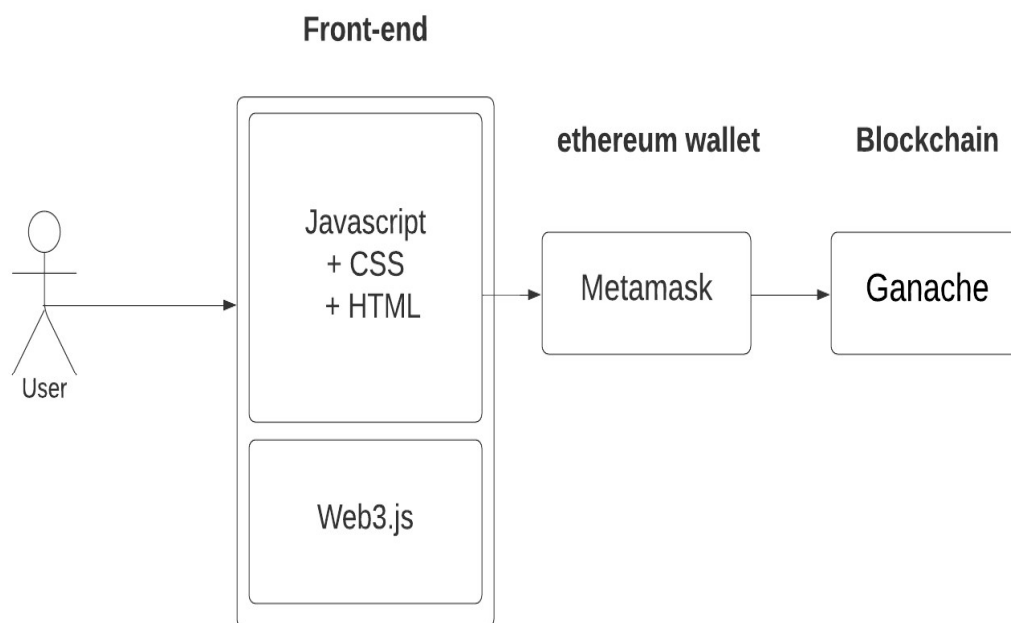
Following are the various functionalities-

- a) **Adding a Node:** Any node, once verified by a specific national recording system, can be a part of Blockchain to view auction properties. This is mainly true with reference to the safety of complicated records acquisition controls for landowners.
- b) **Division of Tokens:** All land transfer activities are taken into consideration in a settlement in which both parties are accountable for ensuring the overall performance of every project. No transaction can be made without consensus, accordingly decreasing the inaccurate nature of land switch.
- c) **Transfer Token:** The complete token may be transferred or in conjunction with other consecutive tokens, that is, the proprietor's addresses with regards to assets IDs may be modified without manual intervention. There is a restriction to the reality that separated tokens can't be in random numbers however in sequential order to prevent random sales of the visible area.

- d) *Dual Entity verification:* All land transfer activities are taken into consideration in a settlement in which each both parties are accountable for making sure the overall performance of every project. No action can be taken without an agreement, thereby decreasing the unusual nature of the land transfer error.
- e) *Data Update:* Updating information associated with any information on nodes isn't always permitted, forcing Blockchain members to enter error transaction information. The purpose for such regulations is that tokens as soon as transferred can only be returned by forwarding the tokens to the unique owner with the consent of both parties. This is to make certain that no distinction arises because of the put off in overall performance or the rate of operation looking to assault the system.
- f) *Creation of time-stamp Testament or Mortgage:* Establishment of property and title deeds for assets property that will only need to be done after the deadline is also a major part of this process. The contract will now no longer be used till the national record of citizenship confirms the loss of life of the landowner if there is a will or no will. In the case of a mortgage title deed, the contractor will alternate in order to obtain a timely stamp. If the name of the mortgage desires to be cancelled previous to the time period of the settlement, the agreement flag guarantees that the switch of possession does now no longer take place without the consent of the present proprietor.

D. Methodology

A fragmented app is a computer program that runs on multiple computer systems, that's a distributed computer system. DApp is an application that makes use of smart contracts to create computer-based compliance. These responsibilities are much like ordinary and traceable features and can't be undone. Wise contracts assist us to trade money, assets or something with fee to keep away from the common man or woman from the conventional land registration process.



Dapp Architecture and the flow of Interactions between Frontend and Backend

Fig. 1 Dapp Architecture and the flow of interactions between Frontend and Backend

Smart contracts are applied to a powerful Ethereum Virtual (EVM) machine, wherein the entire Ethereum node is responsible for contracting. DApp could have a frontend (web) that makes calls to its backend (smart contract) using the web3.js API. Web3.js is a group of libraries that permit us to engage with nearby or far off Ethereum environments, use HTTP or IPC communications, and permit us to carry out tasks together with moving Ether from one account to some other, reading and writing data.

We use smart contracts. Web3.js communicates with Ethereum Blockchain the use of JSON RPC. Web3.js allows us to apply on every Ethereum node the use of JSON RPC to examine and write data. In conjunction with the smart Blockchain agreement, web3.js frequently connects to the wallet, one of the most popular browser wallets MetaMask. MetaMask is a simple browser extension that works as a bridge that allows you to visit a distributed web. It additionally allows you to apply the authentic Ethereum programs in anybody's browser; right here we do now no longer want to apply the entire Ethereum node. Anyone who desires to use the platform needs to create a brand new Ethereum account whilst logging in and the use of that account to send and receive Ether and that account can use DApps. After creating an account, you're given a phrase which you want to maintain someplace else and may be used when a person forgets their password. If anybody already has an Ethereum wallet, they could use a massive network, wherein they need to use actual Ethers i.e. actual money, or use some other DApp that works on test networks that give you free ether to test DApp like Ropsten Test Network or something extensively available. You can get free ethers from the test networks to check your DApp. The wallet will connect with a backend blockchain node and ship a request to Blockchain. Ganache can be used to set up a personal Ethereum Blockchain to check our stable Solidity contracts. Ganache is an extremely good system for setting up Ethereum nodes and getting commenced with blockchain development. Ganache gives a listing of 10 addresses with a default balance of 100.00 ETH. You can use this to check your DApp.

A separate software designed to make the registration of land and the sale of land transparent and extended without the involvement of any valuable authority. ReactJS is used right here to maximize the robustness and sturdiness that may be developed withinside the Ethereum blockchain used on the end. It is a JavaScript framework used to create one-page programs. A strong contract in the end that makes the alternative application clear.

The contract has two main functions.

- 1) *Registration:* In this a part of the venture the user needs to provide global information to government officials who are also senior executives. Each area has a different manager, you may input the location details of these clients. The land to which the regulator needs to be registered must be withinside the location wherein the supervisor is registered. The main manager verifies the info of the modern facts after which enters the series. The information registered at the software is split into country, state, area, survey number, owners address, market value. Using those places the ID identifies the first four details of the location in question. This ID is generated the use of the `computeId ()` function calculated using the SHA256 set of rules. Values entered at the registration form from the start are transferred to the backend using the "Registration ()" function and the details are linked using the unique ID generated through the above fields. Later mapping makes it less complicated to discover a place. Another form is available on the registration page, that is, to add a senior manager. When you enter the manager's address and the home where he or she works, the form is supported. The village is located at an address that makes it easy to check that the district manager can only enter the details of the land in that village.
- 2) *Actions:* Each asset characteristic includes numerous categories. An algorithm is designed that guarantees that there is no need for any central authority to confirm what's being done with your complete process. It is essential to recognize that a landowner can sell the complete world, that is, no partial transaction is allowed.

The following steps are involved:

- a) *Making the land Available for Sale:* The user can sell his land whenever he wants. When a real estate agent agrees to make a transaction by converting the property to a sale, the seller must make the property available for purchase through his or her signature. The landowner then transfers the unique location ID to the "makeAvailable ()" service which the clients can see and the worker verifies the owner's account and converts the value to "Available" which means the land is now available. ready to be purchased by another user.
- b) *Submitting a land Acquisition Request to a Landowner:* The "makeAvailable ()" function will make the land available to the purchaser whilst she or he is in search of land using the search form. If the land is meant for buying, the purchaser sends a request to the landowner for the acquisition of the assets. A unique international ID is included in the work.

"ApplicationToLandOwner ()". This function then verifies that the requested land is available for purchase in the context of "Available" If the value is correct, the buyer's address is stored within the "applicant" partition initially 0 0. The "Available" variable is then set to false allowing the application to be restarted and varied. Application status changes from "default" to "waiting".

III. RESULTS

Blockchain is a technology that is presently in an evolving stage, use instances like Land Registrations are troubled because the deployment levels are increased moderately. The land registry using blockchain improves the accuracy of data.

Following are the different stages of the system –

User will enter his details and land details and send it to admin for verification. He can then set the land as available to buy, if he wants to sell.

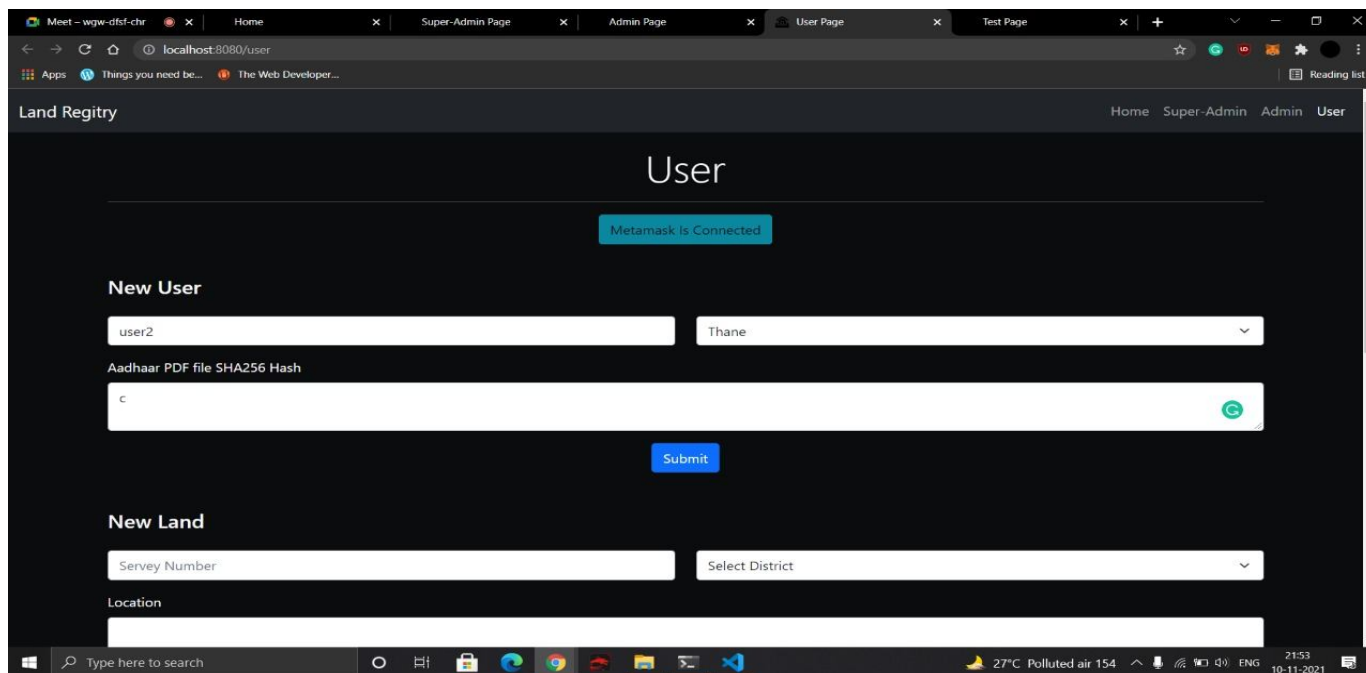


Fig. 3 User page

Admin is the one who looks after everything. He's the one who will check and verify the user's details and the land details

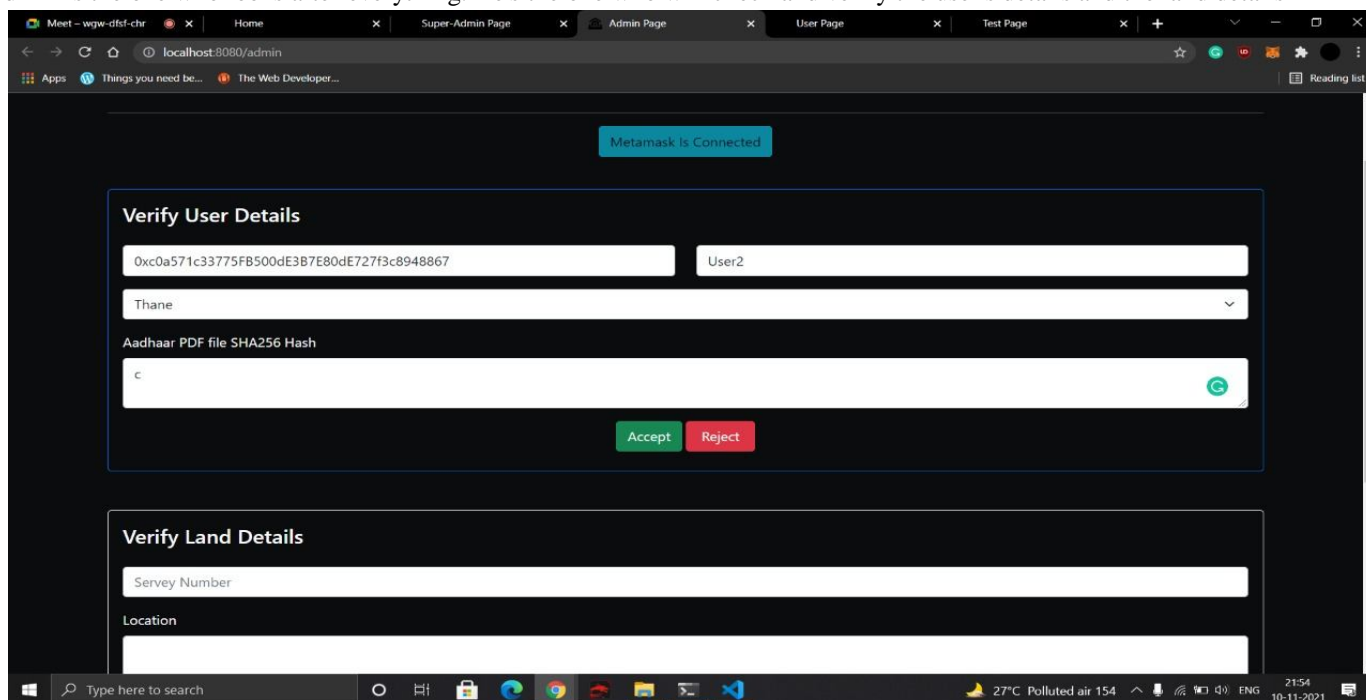


Fig. 4 Admin page

Super admin creates an admin who can verify the user and the land

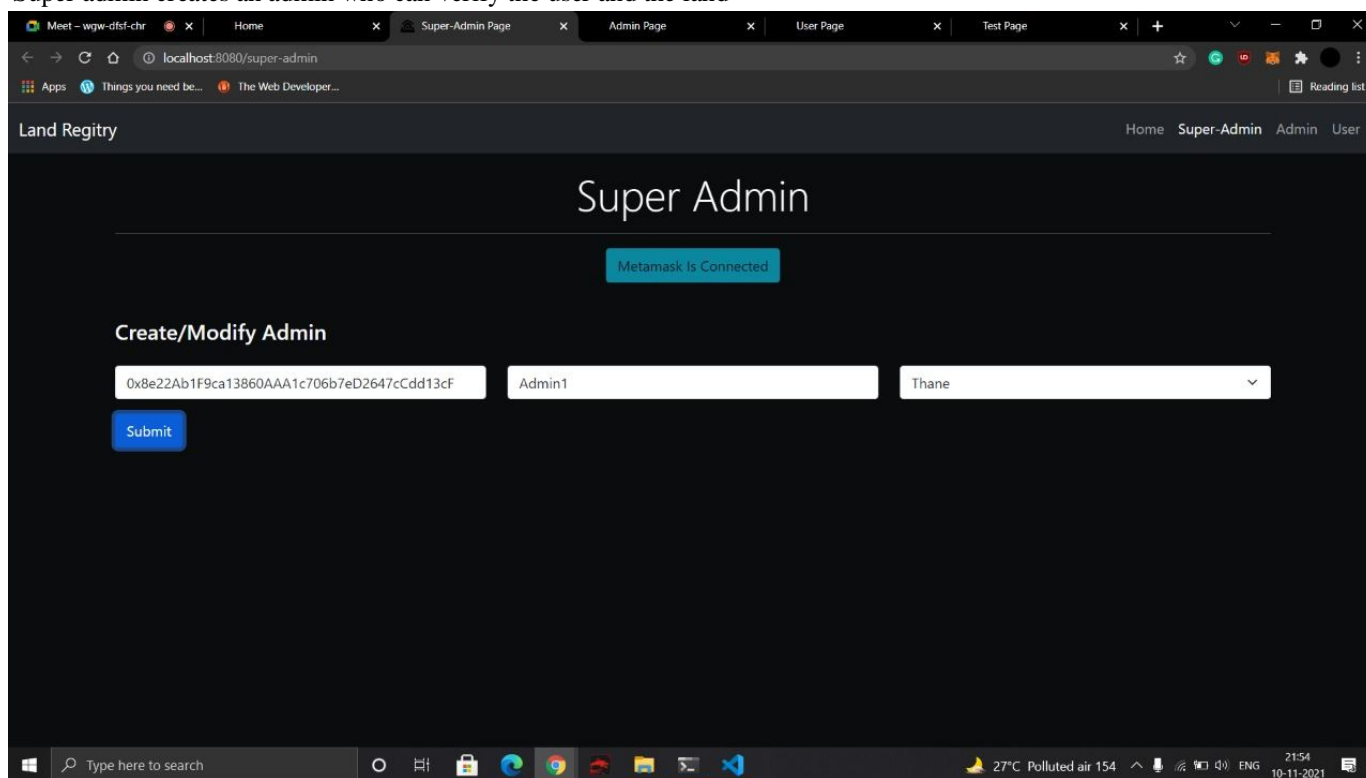


Fig. 5 Super Admin page

Test page is just to check if everything works on and is getting verified. It's just for testing purposes

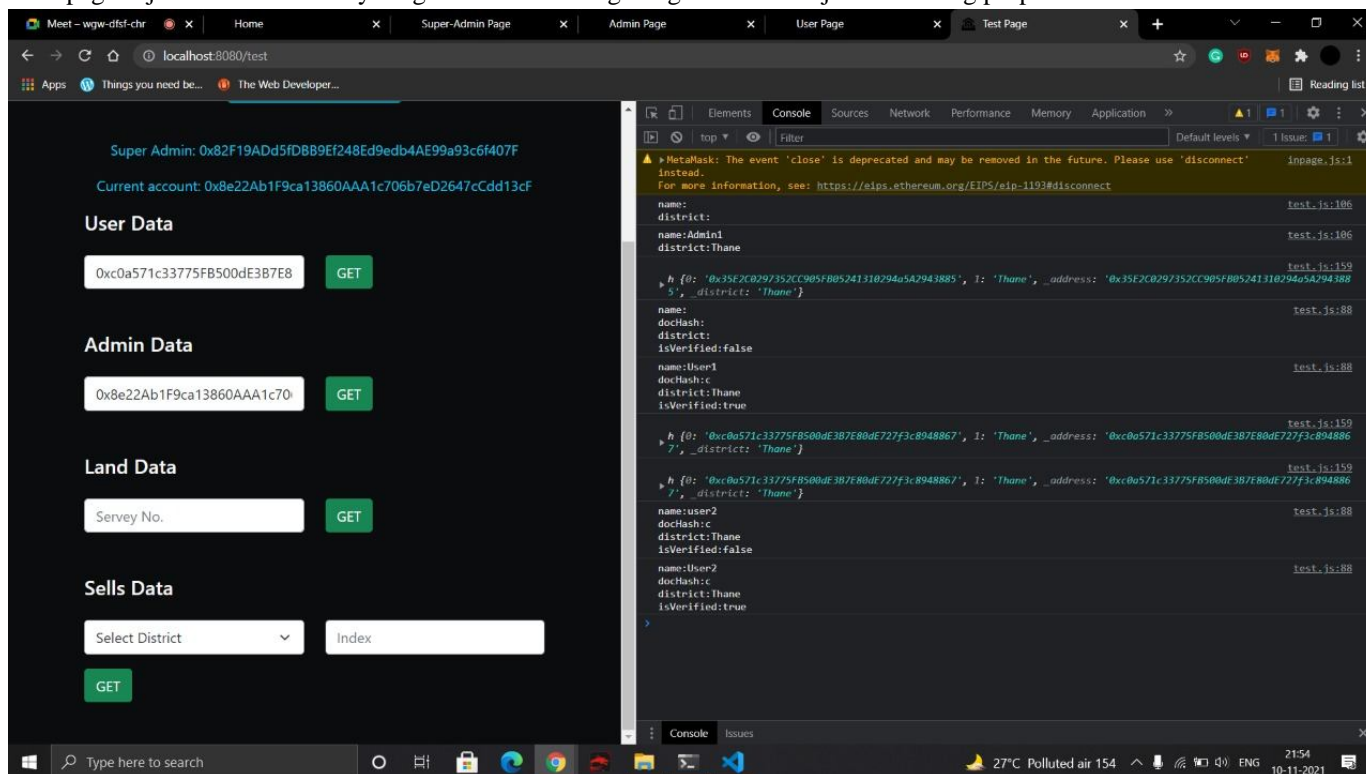


Fig. 6 Test page

IV. CONCLUSIONS

This paper offers a present-day technique to save you and conquer the issues dealing with the current World Records Management System in India. The installation of Blockchain withinside the system makes it invisible, free from fraud. The program integrates all the documents needed to establish land ownership under a single peer-to-peer forum, provides access to all stakeholders involved in world record keeping, and builds a robust World Record Management platform. Dispensing it thru Blockchain, which makes the record transparent, validated and secure. These files may be used as tangible proof in any ground-based legal proceedings or disputes. The file preserving is transparent and unchangeable because of Chaincode and this is why it makes it fraudulent evidence for inner and outside attackers or malicious users.

Therefore, we've proposed a seamless, easy-to-use and seamless platform that may be used to facilitate land registration. There are many issues such as vendor engagement or intermediate involvement, time delays, etc. This forum will eliminate the issues related to land registration in India and in many parts of the world. The steps involved in the land registration process are mentioned in detail withinside the paper. De-registering land titles will not only simplify the process however additionally shield land titles from numerous man-made and natural disasters. Blockchain technology is emerging very quickly because of the steady capabilities it offers. So, using a blockchain to save world record transactions is a way to create static records. There are many extra capabilities that can be added to the land registration platform. Nowadays, land isn't a commodity. By the usage of the earth's belongings the platform also can be removed using cryptocurrency that reflects the world record created by the trader in the platform. The scope is consequently extensive and there can be many use cases for the created platform

However, for any successful implementation of the technology, seamless acceptance by stakeholders is required. Therefore, the main challenge for this solution will be to move existing world records management system to the proposed one.

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