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ਵਿਸ਼ਾ:- Authentication/Verfication of Aadhaar.

ਹਵਾਲਾ:- Registrar UID Punjab ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ. **DFS-UID/7/2022-UID** ਮਿਤੀ 28-07-2023 ਅਤੇ Govt. of India, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, New Delhi ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ. **10(22)/2017-EG-II (VOL-I) dated 19-06-2023** ਸਬੰਧੀ।

ਉਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਤੇ ਹਵਾਲਾ ਅਧੀਨ ਪੱਤਰ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਭੇਜਦੇ ਹੋਏ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਆਪ ਦੇ ਅਧੀਨ ਆਉਂਦੀਆਂ ਸੰਸਥਾਵਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਪੱਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਦਰਸਾਈਆਂ ਹਦਾਇਤਾ ਦੀ ਇੰਨ-ਬਿੰਨ ਪਾਲਣਾ ਕਰਵਾਉਣੀ ਯਕੀਨੀ ਬਣਾਈ ਜਾਵੇ ਅਤੇ ਵੱਖ-ਵੱਖ ਵਜੀਫਾ ਸਕੀਮਾਂ ਅਧੀਨ, ਇਨਾਂ ਹਦਾਇਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਧਿਆਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਰੱਖਦੇ ਹੋਏ ਹੀ ਯੋਗ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਅਪਲਾਈ ਕਰਵਾਇਆ ਜਾਵੇ।

ਨੱਥੀ:- ਪੱਤਰ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ।

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To

All Administrative Secretaries
In the State of Punjab.

Subject: Authentication/Verification of Aadhaar.

                This is in reference to communication received from O/o Ministry of Electronics
and Information Technology, GoI vide letter numbering F.No. 10(22)/2017-EG-II(Vol-I)/E2404389
dated 03.07.2023 regarding subject cited above. (copy enclosed)

2   With Aadhaar becoming integral to delivery to residents of subsidies, benefits,
services and where authorized by Aadhaar Act 2016, used for the purpose of good governance,
social welfare benefits, innovation and spread of knowledge, it has become increasingly
necessary that Aadhaar-using entities ensure the authenticity of Aadhaar being used by them,
and not rely simply on Aadhaar cards or secondary sources purporting to represent Aadhaar
data.

3   In this regard, vide above stated letter, MeitY, GoI has asserted that the
authenticity of Aadhaar may be established either by online authentication of the identity of the
Aadhaar number holder or doing offline verification of the digital signature of UIDAI on the QR
code, e-Aadhaar or Aadhaar Paperless Offline e-KYC (XML). The procedures for Online
authentication as well Offline Verification are defined under the Aadhaar (Authentication and
offline Verification) Regulations, 2021. Also, regulation 16C of the said regulations provides that
no Offline Verification Seeking Entity shall accept Aadhaar number in physical or electronic form
(without authentication) as a proof of identity without first verifying UIDAI's digital signature.

4   A copy of the said letter is enclosed herewith with a request that in compliance
to the guidelines issued by MeitY, GoI, suitable directions may be Issued to all Aadhaar-using
entities under your Department to not accept Aadhaar number in physical or electronic form
(without authentication) as a proof of identity without first verifying UIDAI's digital signature
and to carry out online authentication where the Aadhaar-using entity is a Requesting Entity
appointed by UIDAI.

Enclosed As above

Director, Food Civil Supplies & Consumer
Affairs Punjab cum- Registrar UID, Punjab

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Endst. No.   Dated- 28-07-2023

A copy of the above is being forwarded to the following for information:-

1. Scientist G, O/o Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, GoI w.r.t letter numbering F.No. 10(22)/2017-EG-II(Vol-I)/E2404389 dated 03.07.2023
2. Deputy Director General, UIDAI, Regional Office, Chandigarh, 2nd floor, SCO 95-98, Sector 17-B, Chandigarh 160017
3. PS/CS for kind information of Worthy Chief Secretary, Punjab

Director, Food Civil Supplies & Consumer
Affairs Punjab cum- Registrar UID, Punjab

F. No. 10(22)/2017-EG-II(Vol-I)
Government of India
Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

Electronics Niketan, 6, CGO Complex
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Dated 19 June 2023

To:

1. Chief Secretaries of all State Governments
2. Chief Secretary, Government of Jammu and Kashmir / NCT of Delhi / Puducherry
3. Chief Secretary, Andaman and Nicobar Administration
4. Administrator, Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu / Lakshadweep
5. Advisor to Administrator, Union Territory of Chandigarh
6. Advisor to Lieutenant Governor, Union Territory of Ladakh

Subject: Authentication/verification of Aadhaar

Madam/sir,

Aadhaar is being used by State Governments for the purpose of establishing identity of individuals as a condition for receipt of subsidy, benefit or services for which expenditure is incurred from the Consolidated Fund of India or the State concerned. Further, entities authorised under section 4(4)(b)(ii) of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other. Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 for the purpose of good governance, social welfare benefits, innovation and spread of knowledge also use Aadhaar.

2.   With Aadhaar becoming integral to delivery to residents of subsidies, benefits, services and, where authorised, for the aforesaid purposes, it has become increasingly necessary that Aadhaar-using entities ensure the authenticity of Aadhaar being used by them, and not rely simply on Aadhaar cards or other secondary sources purporting to represent Aadhaar data.

3.   The authenticity of Aadhaar may be established either by online authentication of the identity of the Aadhaar number holder or doing offline verification of the digital signature of UIDAI on the QR code, e-Aadhaar or Aadhaar Paperless Offline e-KYC (XML).

4.   Under the Aadhaar (Authentication and Offline Verification) Regulations, 2021, online authentication is available to Requesting Entities appointed by UIDAI. Such authentication may be done through UIDAI's eKYC or Yes/No authentication services, using the fingerprint, iris or face biometrics of the Aadhaar number holder.

5.   Offline Verification Seeking Entities may make use of any of the offline verification procedures provided for in the regulations to verify UIDAI's digital signature against →

(a) the secure QR code, which is printed on the Aadhaar Letter issued to residents upon enrolment or the Aadhaar PVC card and may also be scanned by "Aadhaar QR Scanner" application available on Google Play Store and iOS Appstore;

(b) eAadhaar (password-protected electronic copy of Aadhaar), which is downloadable from the UIDAI website or accessible using the mAadhaar app; and

(c) Aadhaar Paperless Offline e-KYC (XML) (a secure, sharable document), which is downloadable from the UIDAI website or accessible using the mAadhaar app.

6.   In this regard, it is also pertinent that regulation 16C of the said regulations provides that no Offline Verification Seeking Entity shall accept Aadhaar number in physical or electronic form (without authentication) as a proof of identity without first verifying UIDAI's digital signature.

7.   For more details, the Headquarters or Regional Offices of UIDAI may be contacted.

8.   Against this background, it is advised that suitable directions may be issued to all Aadhaar-using entities under the Government / Administration of the State / Union Territory to not accept Aadhaar number in physical or electronic form (without authentication) as a proof of identity without first verifying UIDAI's digital signature, and to carry out online authentication where the Aadhaar-using entity is a Requesting Entity appointed by UIDAI.

Yours faithfully,

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