(a) whether a large number of Aadhaar Cards were found dumped in a drain in Faridabad;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has conducted an investigation about the said incident; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereto?

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:-

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS & PLANNING (SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA)

(a) to (d): On 21.02.2013, it was reported that 369 Aadhaar letters were found by local people in a drain in Faridabad. The Department of Posts conducted an investigation which revealed that the postman had left his bicycle unattended, along with Aadhaar letters, which bicycle was later reportedly stolen. The Aadhaar letters recovered from the drain by the Police were handed over to the Postal authorities and all the Aadhaar letters were delivered to the addressees concerned on the same day. Disciplinary action against the responsible officials has been initiated. A monitoring mechanism has been devised by the concerned Postal Circle to prevent such incidents in future.