

More time to link accounts to Aadhaar

The decision was taken after various representations as well as inputs received from banks on the matter, the Ministry said.

Last week, the government submitted before the Supreme Court that it intended to issue a notification, extending the deadline for mandatory linking of Aadhaar with services from December 31 to March 31, 2018.

The deadline for linking Aadhaar to mobile numbers, however, remains February 6, 2018.

The notification said, "In case the client already having an account-based relationship with reporting entities prior to the date of publication of this notification in the official Gazette fails to submit the Aadhaar number and Permanent Account Number by such date as may be notified by the Central Government, the said account shall cease to be operational till the time the Aadhaar Number and Permanent Account Number is submitted by the client."