UIDAI eases banks’ minimum Aadhaar enrollment target

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IN A BREATHER to banks, the UIDAI on Friday extended till November 1 the deadline for banks to do minimum Aadhaar enrollments and updations in identified branches.

The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has asked banks to ensure that at least eight enrollments or updations are carried out daily in each stipulated branch from November 1, 2018, to avoid financial disincentives to be applicable from July 2018.

On June 1, the UIDAI had said stipulated bank branches with Aadhaar facility will have to ensure at least eight enrollments or updations in each branch daily from July 1, 2018, 12 per day per branch from October 1, and to 16 from January 1, 2019 onwards.

The authority had outlined that non-compliance would attract financial disincentives. Under the new deadline, banks will have to ensure that minimum enrollment or updation be raised to 12 from January 1, 2019 and 16 from April 1, 2019, according to the UIDAI directive.

The Aadhaar-issuing body has promised that banks meeting the fresh targets by the revised deadline of November will not face “financial disincentives” between July and October.

“Banks who achieve the target of minimum 8 Aadhaar enrolment/updations per day per branch in the month of November 2018 will be exempted from financial disincentives up to October 2018,” the UIDAI said.

In case a bank “fails to meet the above target of carrying out minimum enrolment/updation per day per branch, financial disincentive in respect of uncovered branches as on last day of the month will be levied from the month of July 2018 onwards,” it said.