

Press Release

Special Aadhaar enrolment drive for Students

Aadhaar enables them to apply for scholarships online conveniently and receive money into their bank accounts directly

New Delhi, July 26, 2016: As a part of its resolve to enrol every resident of India, the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) is carrying out a special Aadhaar enrolment drive for school children across the country. The students who are eligible for any scholarship scheme are being given preference. The drive is being coordinated and supervised by the District Collectors in all the schools of their respective districts. The headmaster of schools has been made accountable to take the students to nearest Aadhaar Enrolment Centre and get them enrolled for Aadhaar. Wherever large numbers of students are to be enrolled, enrolment camps are being organised in the schools.

These students will be able to avail various scholarships in a hassle-free manner through Aadhaar based DBT into their bank accounts.

Government of India is taking various steps to ensure that benefits under scholarship program are given to genuine and deserving beneficiaries. "A campaign is underway to facilitate priority Aadhaar enrolment for scholarships beneficiaries. All the students entitled for any type of scholarships will be offered priority Aadhaar enrolment by 15 August, 2016. The School Education Departments in States through school teachers and local Aadhaar enrolment agencies are undertaking Aadhaar enrolment of students in a campaign mode to

ensure that all students willing to apply for scholarship are enrolled for Aadhaar so that they can receive money into their bank accounts”, said Dr. Ajay Bhushan Pandey, Chief Executive Officer, UIDAI.

Dr. Pandey added, “The district collectors have been asked to coordinate and supervise this campaign mode Aadhaar enrolment for students. A special cell has been created in State Education Department/s and each district to resolve any difficulty being faced by any school/collector during enrolment. Progress of the campaign would be reviewed every week. Parents of school students may take advantage of this opportunity and get their children enrolled for Aadhaar at the earliest.”

“It may be ensured that during Aadhaar enrolment mobile and email of either the student or his parent or any family member is captured. This will facilitate communication about Aadhaar generation, download of e-Aadhaar, retrieval of Aadhaar Number, etc. more conveniently”, explained Dr. Pandey.

So far, over 103.5 crore Aadhaar has been generated for residents covering 97 per cent of the adult population. However, Aadhaar saturation in respect of children of age 5 –18 years is relatively lower at 64 per cent.
