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Aadhaar cards issued so far

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- (a) the number of Aadhar cards issued so far in the country and details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) the number of agencies engaged to take the data for the issue of Aadhar cards, and the details thereof State-wise;
- (c) the number of people that have been issued the Aadhar cards in Odisha;
- (d) the target date of Government to disburse the Aadhar cards to the present population; and
- (e) the details of the difference between the Aadhar and voter Identity card and PAN?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS & PLANNING

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- (a) As on 31st July, 2013, a total of 39,36,23,859 Aadhaar numbers have been generated. The State wise detail is provided in Annexure–I. The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) communicates the Aadhaar number through Aadhaar letters or e-Aadhaar letters. There is no provision to issue Aaadhar Cards.
- (b) Enrolment for Aadhaar including data collection for the purpose is organised through Registrars and Enrolment Agencies (EAs) As per latest information available 43 Registrars and 139 EAs are undertaking enrolment across the country. Since a number of Registrars and EAs are authorized to undertake enrollment on all India basis, it is not possible to provide state wise details.
- (c) As on 31.07.2013 a total of 8,841,776 Aadhaar numbers have been generated for residents of Odisha.
- (d) Enrolment of residents and generation of Aadhaar number are ongoing activities and currently there is no target date for completion of these activities.
- (e) Aadhaar is a 12 digit unique identification number which identifies an individual uniquely on the basis of demographic information and biometrics. Aadhaar is issued to all residents including children, as a generic proof of identity and not limited to any specific purpose such as filing income tax returns or voting in elections. Further Aadhaar uses biometric for duplication which PAN/Voter Identity Cards do not currently use. Accordingly Aadhaar can be used for electronic/digital authentication while PAN/Voter cards can not be put to such use.