

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2964
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 11.08.2017

DEACTIVATION OF AADHAAR NUMBERS

2964. SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Aadhaar numbers deactivated so far, State-wise and year-wise, since the issuance of first Aadhaar;
- (b) the reasons for which numbers are deactivated and for each reason, the number of Aadhaar deactivated so far;
- (c) the procedure which was followed for deactivation prior to enactment of Aadhaar Act in 2016 and the procedure being followed after notification of Aadhaar regulations; and
- (d) which authority is responsible for deactivation and whether an opportunity of being heard is given to the person whose Aadhaar is being deactivated, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY)

(a) and (b): The Aadhaar numbers are deactivated for a number of reason(s) as stated in Section 27 and 28 of Aadhaar (Enrolment & Update) Regulations, 2016. Till date, approximately 81 lakh Aadhaar numbers have been deactivated. The State-wise, year-wise and reason-wise data is not maintained by Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI).

(c): Prior to enactment of the Aadhaar Act, 2016, the deactivation (suspension) of Aadhaar numbers was done as per the Aadhaar Life Cycle Management (ALCM) guideline. Subsequent to the enactment of the Aadhaar Act, 2016, the provisions of the Aadhaar Life Cycle Management were incorporated in the Aadhaar (Enrolment & Update) Regulations, 2016 and deactivation of Aadhaar numbers is done as per these Regulations.

(d): The authority to deactivate the Aadhaar number rests with Regional Offices of UIDAI. In addition, deactivation of Aadhaar due to mixed/anomalous biometrics is done by the UIDAI Technology Centre. As per the laid down procedure, "Any Case reported/ identified as a possible case of requiring omission/deactivation may require a field enquiry which may include hearing the persons whose Aadhaar number is sought to be omitted or deactivated."
