

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2821
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2018

**LEVYING OF CHARGES ON BANKERS FOR AADHAAR
AUTHENTICATION SERVICES**

2821. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that UIDAI (Unique Identification Authority of India) is levying heavy charges on bankers for Aadhaar authentication services;
- (b) whether Government has prescribed any fee to be charged by UIDAI from the banks for Aadhaar authentication; and
- (c) whether there is any move by the bankers to transfer those charges to the public, if so, whether they would transfer the complete charges or will share partial charges?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

(a) and (b): As far as Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) is concerned, UIDAI does not charge any transaction charges for either Yes / No or e-KYC authentication. However, as per the provisions of Regulation 12(7) of Aadhaar (Authentication) Regulations, 2016, w.e.f. 1st June, 2017, License fee is applicable to Authentication User Agencies (AUAs) and Authentication Service Agencies (ASAs). Since all KUAs are, by default, also AUAs, there is no additional license fee for e-KYC services.

	License Fees (for 2 years)
AUA	Rs 20 Lakh
ASA	Rs 1 Crore

The circular issued by UIDAI in this regard dated 31.05.2017 is available at https://uidai.gov.in/images/resource/Circular_for_AUA_KUA_and_ASA_Agreements_v40.pdf and dated 08.08.2017 is available at https://uidai.gov.in/images/resource/Circular_dated_08082017.pdf.

(c): As per information received from Department of Financial Services, presently, there is no plan by banks to charge public for cost/fee incurred by them for Aadhaar authentication.
