

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 87
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02-02-2018

ILLEGAL AADHAAR ENROLMENT CENTRES

87. PROF. M.V. RAJEEV GOWDA:

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

- (a) the number of unauthorised Aadhaar enrolment Centres detected till December, 2017;
- (b) whether Government has a mechanism to verify and audit Aadhaar enrolment centres for misuse;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ALPHONS KANNANTHANAM)

(a): Aadhaar enrolment centres are run by the Registrars and Enrolment Agencies duly authorised by UIDAI. As per Aadhaar architecture and design, enrolment can only be done on the software provided by UIDAI and by the UIDAI certified and on-boarded operators engaged by these authorised registrars and enrolment agencies. As such, without such authorization, no enrolment centre can function. In case, these centres or operators are found guilty of violation of prescribed processes and guidelines or indulging in corrupt practices for enrolment etc, then suitable action is taken against them, inter-alia including blacklisting of operators, and financial disincentives on enrolment agency running the centres.

(b), (c) and (d): Yes, Sir. In accordance with Regulation 21(6), 23(6) and 26(2) of Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, UIDAI conducts audit and inspection of the enrolment centres for any irregularities or violation of laid down processes and guidelines.
