

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO.\*204**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12-03-2020

**SERVICES/FACILITIES WHERE AADHAAR IS MANDATORY**

**\*204. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:**

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

- (a) the names of those services/facilities for which Aadhaar has been made compulsory;
- (b) the names of those services/facilities for which Government further proposes to make Aadhaar mandatory;
- (c) **whether Government proposes to use Aadhaar as a Voter-I-Card or link Aadhaar with the voter list; and**
- (d) **whether Government proposes to introduce "One Nation, One ID Card"?**

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. \*204 FOR 12-03-2020 REGARDING  
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(a) and (b): As per section 7 of the Aadhaar Act 2016, the Central Government or, as the case may be, the State Government may, for the purpose of establishing identity of an individual as a condition for receipt of a subsidy, benefit or service for which the expenditure is incurred from, or the receipt therefrom forms part of, the Consolidated Fund of India or Consolidated Fund of State, require that such individual undergo authentication, or furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar number or in the case of an individual to whom no Aadhaar number has been assigned, such individual makes an application for enrolment:

Provided that if an Aadhaar number is not assigned to an individual, the individual shall be offered alternate and viable means of identification for delivery of the subsidy, benefit or service.

Accordingly, various Ministries, State Government Departments issue notifications under section 7 of the Aadhaar Act 2016, to deliver various subsidies, benefits and services. As on 29<sup>th</sup> February 2020, a total of 164 notifications covering 299 schemes have been issued by various Central Ministries, including among others, Targeted Public Distribution System, scholarship schemes, MGNREGA, Fertilizer Subsidy, NSAP, PMAY etc.

Further, Section 139AA of the Income-tax Act, 1961, as introduced by the Finance Act, 2017, provides for mandatory quoting of Aadhaar /Enrolment ID of Aadhaar application form, for filing of return of income and for making an application for allotment of Permanent Account Number with effect from 1st July, 2017.

(c): As per information received from Legislative Department, a proposal to amend Representation of the People Act, 1951, to enable linking of Electoral data with Aadhaar system, is under consideration, to ensure preparation of error free electoral roll and to prevent duplication of entries.

(d): As per information received from O/o Registrar General and Census Commissioner India, Ministry of Home Affairs, presently, there is no such proposal under consideration.

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