

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2103
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2020

UIDAI CASE ON AADHAAR DATA THEFT IN TELANGANA

2103 DR. K.V.P. RAMACHANDRA RAO:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has failed to take sufficient precautions to safeguard Aadhaar data of people;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, how it came to notice of the UIDAI that some private companies are having Aadhaar data of people of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana resulting in registering a case;
- (c) whether any in-house enquiry was conducted and whether it identified any officials responsible for the incident, if so, what action was taken against them; and
- (d) what precautions the UIDAI has taken to restrict such breach in future?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE)

(a): No, Sir. It is not a fact. The data protection system of UIDAI is robust and highly secure. UIDAI has a well designed, multi-layer robust security system in place and the same is constantly being upgraded to maintain highest level of data security and integrity. There have been no instances of data theft from UIDAI database (CIDR).

(b): Based on field inputs, a complaint was lodged by the UIDAI and was registered vide FIR no.278/2019 on 12.04.2019 at Madhapur Gutalla PS, Cyberabad against Management of M/s IT Grids India Pvt Ltd and Others.

(c): No in-house enquiry was conducted by UIDAI. The case is under investigation by Special Investigation Team comprising of senior police officers of the Government of Telangana.

(d): There has been no data breach/ data theft from UIDAI database (CIDR) till date. The Aadhaar data protection system is robust and highly secure. UIDAI has a well designed, multi-layer robust security system in place and the same is constantly being upgraded to maintain highest level of data security and integrity.
