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**Sub:** Discontinuation of the provision of partial match in Demographic authentication

UIDAI at present provides the facility of both exact match and partial match in demographic authentication to Authentication User Agencies (AUAs). The AUAs generally configure the option of exact or partial match of name and/or address and/or other demographic parameters in their respective client applications. However, it is observed that some entities are using partial matching whereby part of the name or partial address etc. is sent to UIDAI for the purpose of authentication. Such practice while may improve the authentication success rate of matching their domain database with Aadhaar database, there is always a scope for wrongful identity verification. UIDAI has also advised from time to time that the demographic information as per Aadhaar should be captured and used for performing demographic authentication.

2. In order to remove any chances of wrongful identity verification using demographic authentication, it is hereby decided to discontinue the provision of partial matching in demographic authentication w.e.f 1.12.2017 after which the demographic authentication shall be allowed only for exact match of name, address and other parameters as in Aadhaar.

3. It is reiterated that to achieve the best and accurate results in demographic data verification, AUAs should capture name, address and other demographic details as per Aadhaar to perform demographic authentication. The information as per Aadhaar may be captured directly either from Aadhaar letter or eAadhaar or mAadhaar using QR code reader.



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To,

All AUAs/KUAs & ASAs