CIRCULAR No. 12 OF 2018

Sub: Implementation of Virtual ID and UID Token and Limited e-KYC.

Reference is invited to this office circulars no. 1, 4 and 10 of 2018 issued on the above mentioned subject whereby the timelines for implementation of Virtual ID (VID), UID Token and Limited e-KYC were extended to 31.07.2018 for Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) and e-Sign Providers while for other AUAs (which includes KUAs wherever applicable) the timeline was extended to 31.08.2018.

2. Whereas a number of AUAs have already upgraded to new system of VID, UID Token and Limited e-KYC, UIDAI has received requests from certain entities that they are at various stages of implementation of VID, UID Token and Limited e-KYC and need some more time to complete the migration to the new APIs v2.5.

3. Therefore to avoid any disruption in authentication service, it has been decided to extend the timeline for implementation of Virtual ID, UID Token and Limited e-KYC using APIs v2.5 by two months i.e. up to 31.10.2018. Further, the timeline for Local AUAs to replace Aadhaar numbers with UID Tokens and delete all Aadhaar numbers from their databases has been extended up to 31.12.2018. However it is clarified that, as directed in ibid circular no. 10 of 2018, in the case of those TSPs and e-Sign providers that are not using APIs 2.5, they shall be continued to be levied transaction charges @ Rs 0.20 for every authentication transaction performed using Auth API 2.0 or e-KYC API 2.1.

4. It may be noted that VID is a critical measure for security and privacy of residents’ Aadhaar details and UIDAI shall be free to take action as per provisions of the Aadhaar Act 2016, its Regulations, AUA Agreement etc. but not limited to financial disincentives and termination of license key for failure to implement the VID system by an AUA. Therefore, all AUAs/KUAs shall make necessary changes to accept VID in their front-end client application and UID Token at backend system immediately.

To
All AUAs and ASAs

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