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Unique Identification Authority of India  
(Planning Commission)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), vide OM No. 45/DG-UIDAI/2009 dated 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2009 had constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. BK Gairola, DG, NIC for framing the Biometrics Standards for UIDAI. It's charter included review of existing standards of Biometrics and modify/enhance them to meet the specific requirements of UIDAI relating to de-duplication and authentication. The terms of reference and the deliverables of the Committee were prescribed in the said OM.

2. The Committee has submitted its Report to the UIDAI and it has recommended the standards for face, finger print (including the minutiae formats) and iris image. It has also given recommendations for each modality (face, finger prints and iris), based on prevailing standards, best practices followed by international users and the ground realities in India.

3. UIDAI, after careful consideration and examination of the recommendations of the Committee, has accepted the standards and best practices suggested by the Committee for face, finger prints and iris. The UIDAI, after taking all relevant factors into consideration, has also decided that all three biometric attributes of residents, viz. face, all ten finger prints and both iris images will be collected during the enrolment process into the UID system.

4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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