GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 891 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07-02-2018

POST OFFICES TO ISSUE AADHAAR

891. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to entrust the responsibility of making Aadhaar cards by incorporating changes therein and to maintain its confidentiality to the post offices in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be started;
- (d) whether the Government has established any mechanism to implement the said scheme in the country; and
- (e) if so the details thereof ?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): Department of Posts (DoP), as Registrar of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), has been mandated to set up Aadhaar enrolment and update facility in post offices throughout the country. DoP has already started rolling out these facilities in designated post offices.

In addition, scheduled commercial banks have also been mandated to set up Aadhaar enrolment and update facility in a minimum one out of every ten bank branches.

Registrar only collects data from the residents during enrolment/ updation. Actual Aadhaar generation and updation in Aadhaar takes place after the data so collected is verified in the UIDAI system at various stages.

The Aadhaar Act, 2016 and the Regulations framed there under have necessary provisions for ensuring the security and confidentiality of residents' information collected during the course of enrolment/updation. It is the responsibility of Registrar to follow the Act and the Regulations framed there under and guidelines issued by UIDAI from time to time.
