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MINISTRY OF PLANNING

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INTRODUCTION OF UID SYSTEM .

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(a) whether the Competent Authority have established the task of Unique Identification Number (UID);

(b) if so, the details including the present status;

(c) if so, whether there is any system in UID that can create and maintain records relating to separate groups including migrant labours, unorganized workers, senior citizens and rural residents;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, whether steps would be taken for the same?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) to (e): Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has been set up as an attached office under the aegis of Planning Commission, vide notification dated 28th January, 2009 with a sanctioned core team of 115 officials and staff. UIDAI has the responsibility to lay down plans and policies to implement Unique Identification Number (UID) Scheme, own and operate UID database and be responsible for its updation and maintenance on an ongoing basis. It is proposed to cover all the resident population with Unique Identification Number, irrespective of the groups that they belong, in a phased manner starting with 18 years of age plus population using electoral roll database and subsequently cover population below 18 years of age.