GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF PLANNING

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1599

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SOLE IDENTITY PROOF.

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- (a) whether the proposed unique identification number may become the sole identity proof for opening new bank accounts and getting all other services; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

 $\hbox{\tt MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE {\tt MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS } \\$

(SHRI V.NARAYANASAMY)

(a) & (b): The mandate of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) is to issue unique identification number to all the residents of India. The facility of obtaining unique identification numbers would be available to all residents on a voluntary basis. As of now, there is no proposal to make unique identification numbers for residents mandatory.