

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1525
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27-12-2017

FAKE AADHAAR CARDS

**1525. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:
SHRI DIBYENDU ADHIKARI:**

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of fake Aadhaar cards being issued in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of complaints received and action taken thereon, state-wise;
- (c) the action taken by the Government to clear documents with false biometrics and fingerprints; and
- (d) whether the Government has identified the fake enrolment centres running across the country and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI ALPHONS KANNANTHANAM)

(a), (b) and (c): As per sub-section (3) of section 4 of Aadhaar Act, 2016, “an Aadhaar number, in physical or electronic form subject to authentication and other conditions, as may be specified by regulations, may be accepted as proof of identity of the Aadhaar number holder for any purpose.” Hence, question of fake Aadhaar, if used as per above provisions, does not arise.

Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has provided online authentication facility whereby any Aadhaar can be authenticated anywhere anytime. Further, an online facility has also been provided for verifying an Aadhaar, available at <https://resident.uidai.gov.in/aadhaarverification>.

(d): Aadhaar enrolment can only be done on the software provided by UIDAI and by the certified and on-boarded operators engaged by authorised registrars and enrolment agencies. Hence, there is no question of fake enrolment centre.
