

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4153
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21-03-2018

AUTHENTICATION OF DATA

4153. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY KOTHA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government has decided to introduce face recognition security feature for authentication of data; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI K. J. ALPHONS)

(a) and (b): Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) vide its circular dated 15th January, 2018 has decided to introduce facial authentication. Face authentication by itself will not be used for identity verification, instead it is meant for inclusive authentication and it shall be used in combination with other mode of authentication like finger/iris or OTP as a second factor of authentication. The details are given in UIDAI circular dated 15th January, 2018, which is available on UIDAI website.
