



AADHAAR DATA SECURE: UIDAI ON REPORT

New Delhi, March 24: The Unique Identification Authority of India on Saturday refuted reports about a fresh data leak of Aadhaar holders, and asserted that there has been "absolutely no breach" of its database.

The statement comes after ZDNet, a technology news portal cited a security researcher's claim to state that a system of state-owned utility firm was allegedly leaking information on Aadhaar holders.

In a statement issued here, UIDAI, the Aadhaar-issuing body, said, "There is no truth in this story as there has been absolutely no breach of UIDAI's Aadhaar database. Aadhaar remains safe and secure".

It termed the data breach claims as "totally baseless, false and irresponsible".

"UIDAI on Saturday has refuted reports in a certain section of media sourced from the news website ZDNet which has quoted a person purportedly claiming to be a security researcher that a state-owned utility company has vulnerability which can be used to access a huge amount of Aadhaar data including banking details," UIDAI said in its statement.

The UIDAI has argued that even if the claims were taken to be true, the security concerns should be around the database of utility company in question. — PTI