

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2989
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SECURITY OF PROPOSED DATA OF UIAI .

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- (a) whether it is a fact that NIC has raised concerns over privacy and security of the proposed data base of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIAI);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and stance of Government to ensure the security of the data;
- (c) whether this authority has also proposed to hire the data center services for proof of concept and proto type on rental basis; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI V.NARAYANASAMY)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. NIC had pointed out that the issues relating to privacy and security of UID data, in case the data is not hosted in a Government data centre may be taken into consideration.

UIDAI is of the opinion that the hosting of data in a private data centre does not necessarily lead to a violation of privacy or security. Appropriate contractual arrangement shall be put in place with the data centre space provider to ensure security and privacy of the data.

(c) & (d): At present, UIDAI does not have its own permanent facility to house its data centre. Therefore, 75 sq.ft of data centre space has been hired from M/s. ITI Limited for proof of concept and pilot on a rental basis.