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Aadhaar project in West Bengal

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- (a) whether Aadhaar enrolment is being progressively carried out in the country;
- (b) the percentage of population provided with the Unique Identification Number in all the States, district-wise;
- (c) whether there are any districts in India where the Aadhaar project is still not rolled out;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the reasons for low enrolment in Aadhaar, in West Bengal?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND PLANNING

(SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)(c)&(d): Details of percentage of population provided with Unique Identification (UID) number in all the States, district-wise, are given at Annexure. Enrolment of residents for Aadhaar is carried out through enrolment agencies engaged by State Government departments, Central Government departments/ Public Sector Banks etc. Wherever the State Government may have decided not to engage in the enrolment process to a fuller extent, or may not have been able to engage an adequate number of enrolment agencies, enrolment process may be delayed in some districts.

(e): In West Bengal, the State Government took a decision that Aadhaar enrolment work would be undertaken by the Registrar General of India as part of the National Population Register (NPR) preparation. Phase I of NPR comprising collection of biographic data in respect of all the usual residents, scanning of filled-in NPR schedules, and digitization of data in respect of all usual residents has been completed. Second phase of NPR i.e. collection of biometrics has commenced in all the districts of the State, and enrolment of over 2.67 crore residents has been completed. Of these, data packets pertaining to about 1.40 crore residents have been uploaded to the Central Identities Data Repository for generation of Aadhaar. 15.26 percent of the population of West Bengal has been provided with UID numbers.