GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PLANNING RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3950

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Fake Aadhaar Cards

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- (a) whether it is a fact that UIDAI has cancelled 3.84 lakh fake Aadhaar cards, till 31 December, 2012 in spite of loophole free and unbeatable Unique Identification system;
- (b) if so, whether it is with the connivance of the issuing agencies with anti-social elements or through genuine human error;
- (c) whether any cases of fraudulent credits in fake cards or any other such aberrations been brought to the notice of Government as the case subsidy transfer system to Aadhaar Cards holders has been introduced effective 1 January 2013;.
- (d) the reactions of NGOs, having predominant presence in such rural areas, about the practical difficulties being faced by the beneficiaries?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND PLANNING

(SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA)

(a)&(b): No card is issued under Aadhaar Scheme. Aadhaar is a Unique Identification Number linked to a person's demographic and biometric information. This number is communicated to the resident through a letter. In keeping with Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)'s commitment to achieve zero failure to enroll, the enrolment client application has the provision to enroll persons with biometric exceptions. It came to the notice of UIDAI that this provision was misused by some operators to enroll residents who were not falling in the category of biometric exceptions. A scrutiny of all biometric exception enrollments was done and this led to the cancellation of 3.84 lakh aadhaar numbers. UIDAI now does a demographic de duplication of all resident enrolment packets. All enrolments reported as 100% biometric exception are also reviewed manually before processing for Aadhaar number generation.

(c)&(d): No, Sir.