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Subject: Guidelines regarding use of Aadhaar number.

Aadhaar is being widely used for establishing the identity of individuals in both Government and non-Government sectors. However, it has been observed that some confusion still exists regarding the properties and use of the Aadhaar number.

UIDAI vide D.O. No.: 13065/I/2024-AUTH-I HQ/C-14500/2797 dated 06.10.2025, has shared information pertaining to 'Properties of Aadhaar Number' referring various clarifications issued by MeitY (Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Govt. of India) and UIDAI (Unique Identification Authority of India) from time to time.

1. Attention is invited to the following Sections of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016:

Section 4. Properties of Aadhaar number:

(3) Every Aadhaar number holder, to establish identity, may voluntarily use the Aadhaar number in physical or electronic form by way of authentication or offline verification.

Section 9. Aadhaar number not evidence of citizenship or domicile, etc.:

The Aadhaar number or the authentication thereof shall not, by itself, confer any right of, or proof of, citizenship or domicile in respect of an Aadhaar number holder.

2. In view of the above, following may be noted:

a. Aadhaar number, by itself, is not a proof of citizenship or domicile.

b. Aadhaar can be accepted as proof of identity only when it is subjected to authentication or offline verification.

3. Following clarifications issued by MeitY and UIDAI be referred:

a. UIDAI D.O. Letter No.: 13079/55/2021-AUTH-II HQ/C-6074/2011 dated 16th July 2025 (*copy enclosed*) - Regarding the use of the Aadhaar QR Scanner App for offline verification.

b. MeitY letter F. No. 4(4)/57/186/2016/E&U-pt-II dated 20.12.2018 (*copy enclosed*) and UIDAI circulars F. No. HQ-13065/I/2022-AUTH-II-HQ/8075 dated 22.12.2023 (*copy enclosed*) and 23.04.2024 (*copy enclosed*) - Regarding the use of Aadhaar for establishing the date of birth.

It is hereby advised that Aadhaar may not be used as proof of date of birth. For the past two years, UIDAI has also been including the following statement in every form of Aadhaar—

namely, Aadhaar letter, PVC card, and e-Aadhaar: **“Aadhaar is proof of identity, not of citizenship or date of birth.”** This position has been reiterated in various judgments of the Hon’ble High Courts and the Supreme Court of India.

Therefore, All Departments, Boards, Undertakings and all other entities of Govt. of Rajasthan are directed to strictly adhere to the following while using an Aadhaar number:

- a) An Aadhaar number may be used to establish the identity of the Aadhaar number holder subject to authentication or offline verification.
- b) An Aadhaar number or the authentication thereof, is not a proof of citizenship or domicile in respect of Aadhaar number holder.
- c) Aadhaar number is not a proof of data of birth and hence, must not be used for establishing the date of birth of the Aadhaar number holder conclusively.

All concerned are directed to ensure that these instructions are brought to the notice of all officials and field offices and are implemented in letter and in spirit for compliance.

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