GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1649

TO BE ANSWERED ON: 26.07.2017

LINKING OF AADHAAR CARDS TO SCHEMES

1649. SHRI MAHEISH GIRRI: SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is in the process of linking Aadhaar Card with all social security schemes and Government benefit programmes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, schemes and programme-wise;
- (c) whether the Government plans to collaborate with State Government to ensure 100 per cent Aadhaar seeding with social security schemes and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government considers undertaking surveys to track the population excluded from Aadhaar due to biometric mismatch; and
- (e) if so, the estimated timeline by which 100 per cent Aadhaar seeding will take place?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY)

- (a) and (b): Yes, Sir. Aadhaar seeding in the beneficiary database is an important component of Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) for better targeting of beneficiaries and ensuring transfer of benefits in a transparent and efficient manner. The scope of DBT has been expanded to include cash-in and in-kind transfer to individual beneficiaries and other transfer within a programme design. In pursuance, 314 schemes from 51 Ministries/Departments have been on-boarded on DBT as per list enclosed.
- (c): For all Central Government wholly or partly funded schemes, the State Governments have been requested to implement Aadhaar based DBT.
- (d): UIDAI has not excluded any category of residents from Aadhaar. While UIDAI aims to issue Aadhaar to all the residents, there is no proposal under consideration regarding survey to track the population that has not been issued Aadhaar due to any reasons.
- (e): Does not arise in view of (d) above.
