

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2794
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16th DECEMBER, 2015
AADHAAR CARD FOR MOBILE CONNECTIONS

2794. SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to make Aadhaar Card as proof for mobile connection;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) and other stakeholders have been consulted in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, whether the interest of the people who have not been issued Aadhaar Card has been taken care of and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) to (d) The instructions regarding acceptance of any document as valid Proof of Identity/Proof of Address (PoI/PoA) document for obtaining new mobile connection are issued by Department of Telecommunications in consultation with Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA). The letter issued by Unique Identification Authority of India conveying the name, address and Aadhaar number (generally termed as Aadhaar Card) has been included in the list of valid PoI/PoA documents for obtaining new mobile connections (except Assam, North East and J&K service areas) vide instructions dated 14.01.2011 after due consultation with MHA.

(e) It is not mandatory for a person to have Aadhaar Card for obtaining a mobile connection as the list of acceptable PoI/PoA contains many other documents also, some of them are PAN Card, Passport, Voter-ID card, Ration Card, etc. The list of such valid PoI/PoA documents is enclosed as **Annexure - I to III**.

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Documents acceptable as POI & POA			
Sr. no.	For proof of identity (All Identity proof to contain photograph)	Sr. no.	For proof of Address
1	Passport	1	Passport
2	Arms License	2	Arms License
3	Driving License	3	Driving License
4	Election Commission ID Card	4	Election Commission ID Card
5	Ration card (with photograph of the applicant)	5	Ration Card (with address)
6	CGHS/ECHS card	6	CGHS/ECHS card
7	Certificate of address having Photo issued by MP/MLA/Group-A Gazetted Officer in letter head	7	Certificate of address having Photo issued by MP/MLA/Group-A Gazetted Officer in letter head
8	Certificate of address with Photo from Government recognized educational institutions (for students only)	8	Certificate of address with Photo from Government recognized educational institutions (for students only)
9	Certificate of photo identity issued by village Panchayat head or its equivalent authority (for rural areas)	9	Certificate of photo identity issued by village Panchayat head or its equivalent authority (for rural areas)
10	Income Tax PAN card	10	Water bill (not older than last three months)
11	Photo Credit Card	11	Telephone Bill of fixed line (not older than last three months).
12	Address card with photograph issued by Deptt. of Posts, Govt. of India	12	Electricity bill(not older than three months)
13	Smart card issued by CSD, Defence/Paramilitary	13	Income Tax Assessment Order
14	Current Passbook of Post Office/any Scheduled Bank, having photograph	14	Vehicle Registration Certificate
15	Photo Identity card (of Central Govt./PSU or State Govt./PSU only)	15	Registered State/Lease Agreement
16	Photo Identity Card issued by Government recognized educational institutions (for students only)	16	Address card with photograph issued by Deptt. Of Posts, Govt. of India
17	Cast and Domicile Certificate with photo issued by State Govt. like Assam and other states	17	Current Passbook of Post Office/any Scheduled Bank
18	Pensioner's card with photograph	18	Photo Identity card with address (of Central Govt./PSU or State Govt./PSU only)
19	Freedom Fighter Card with photograph	19	Credit card statement (not older than last three months)
20	Kisan Passbook with photograph	20	Cast and Domicile Certificate with photo issued by State Govt. like Assam and other states
		21	Pensioner's card with address
		22	Freedom Fighter Card with address.
		23	Kisan Passbook with address.
21	Aadhaar Card by UIDAI	24	Aadhaar Card by UIDAI

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J&K		
Documents acceptable as POI & POA		
Sr. no.	For proof of identity (All Identity proof to contain photograph)	For proof of Address
1	Passport	Passport
2	Arms License	Arms License
3	Driving License	Driving License
4	Election Commission I/Card*	Election Commission I/Card*
5	Ration card (with photograph of the applicant)	Ration Card (with address)
6	CGHS/ECHS card	CGHS/ECHS card
7	Address card with photograph issued by Dept. of Posts, Gov. of India	Address card with photograph issued by Deptt. Of Posts, Gov. of India
8	Current Passbook of Post Office/any Scheduled Bank with photograph	Current Passbook of Post Office/any Scheduled Bank
9	Photo Identity card (of Central Govt./PSU or State Govt./PSU only)	Photo Identity card with address (of Central Govt./PSU or State Govt./PSU only)
10	Pensioner's card with photograph	Pensioner's card with address
11	Freedom Fighter Card with photograph	Freedom Fighter Card with address.
12	Kisan Passbook with photograph	Kisan Passbook with address.
13	Income Tax PAN card	Income Tax Assessment Order
14	Photo Credit Card	Credit card statement (not older than last three months)
15	Smart card issued by CSD, Defence/Paramilitary	Telephone Bill of fixed line (not older than last three months).
16	Photo Identity Card issued by Government recognized educational institutions (for students only)	Permanent Residency Card issued by J&K Government.

*Only Voter's identity cards (issued from 2008), which carry various security features such as hologram etc., are acceptable as a proof of identity and address.

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NE & Assam		
Documents acceptable as POI & POA		
Sr. no.	For proof of identity (All Identity proof to contain photograph)	For proof of Address
1	Passport	Passport
2	Arms License	Arms License
3	Driving License	Driving License
4	Election Commission I/Card*	Election Commission I/Card*
5	Ration card (with photograph of the applicant)	Ration Card (with address)
6	CGHS/ECHS card	CGHS/ECHS card
7	Address card with photograph issued by Dept. of Posts, Gov. of India	Address card with photograph issued by Deptt. Of Posts, Gov. of India
8	Current Passbook of Post Office/any Scheduled Bank with photograph	Current Passbook of Post Office/any Scheduled Bank
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17	Certificate of photo identity issued by Village Panchayat Head	Certificate of address issued by Village Panchayat Head
18	Caste and Domicile Certificate with photo issued by State Government	Caste and Domicile Certificate with address and photo issued by State Government

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