

DEPARTMENT OF FOOD, SUPPLIES & CONSUMER AFFAIRS
'K' BLOCK, VIKAS BHAWAN, I.P. ESTATE,
NEW DELHI-110 002
(POLICY BRANCH)

**Sub: Compliance of Supreme Court order dated 11-08-2015 -
Prohibition of Display of Aadhar Number of residents in public
domain - reg.**

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of letter No.23 (14)/2015-
Comp Cell dated 10-02-2016 received from Director, Govt. of India,
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution alongwith its
enclosure a copy of letter No. 13012/20/2012/Legal-UIDAI (Pt IV) dated
29-01-2016 of Unique Identification Authority of India, Department of
Electronics and IT (DeitY) on the subject cited above for information and
strict compliance.



Encl: As above.

(GIRISH PANDEY)
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER(P&C)

1. All Zonal Assistant Commissioner, F & S.
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Dated: 29/2/2016

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1. P.S.to CFS.
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No. 23 (14)/2015-Comp Cell
Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food & Public Distribution

New Delhi-110001
Dated: 10th February, 2016

To
The Principal Secretaries/Secretary,
Department of Food & Civil Supplies
All States/UTs.

Sub: Supreme Court order dated 11-08-2015 – Prohibition of Display of Aadhaar Number of residents in public domain-reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the O.M. No. 13012/20/2012/Legal-UIDAI (Pt IV) dated 29th January, 2016 received from Unique Identification Authority of India, Department of Electronics and IT (DeitY) on the subject mentioned above (Copy enclosed) and to say that as per the aforesaid O.M., since Aadhaar numbers are being collected by various public as well as private agencies for delivery of services, it is hereby clarified that as per the above Supreme Court Order dated 11-08-2015, it is the responsibility of those agencies to :-

(a) Protect the identity of Aadhaar card holder by maintaining the necessary confidentiality of his Aadhaar number; and

(b) To ensure that Aadhaar numbers are not posted, displayed, or made available in public domain such as internet, web, public notices etc. In case there is a requirement to publish a list of individuals by any department or any agency through a public notice, such list shall not contain Aadhaar numbers.

2. This is for your kind information and strict compliance.

Encl: As above

Diary No.....2253.....

Pr. Br. of Spl. Commissioner

Date.....17/2/16..... P&C

Yours faithfully,

(D K Gupta)

Director

Tele Fax: - 2307 0429

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F.No. 13012/20/2012/Legal-UIDAI (PEIV)

Government of India

Ministry of Communications & Information Technology

Department of Electronics and IT (DeitY)

Unique Identification Authority of India

3rd Floor, Tower - II, Jeevan Bharati Building
Connaught Circus, New Delhi - 110001

Dated 29th Jan, 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Supreme Court order dated 11.08.2015 - Prohibition of Display of Aadhaar Number of residents in public domain

Demographic data - name, address, gender alongwith Aadhaar number has been recognised as a sensitive data and is a personal Information (PI), under Information Technology (Reasonable security practices and procedures and sensitive personal data or information) Rules, 2011. Based on this position, in W.P. No. 494 of 2012 & connected cases (known as "Aadhaar-related matters") Supreme Court was apprised by the Ld Attorney General for India that no personal data of aadhaar card holder is shared with any other person or Authority by the respondents. This fact has been recorded by Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated 11.08.2015, as under (Page 14 of the Interim Order dated 11-08-2015) :-

"...The learned Attorney General stated that the respondents do not share any personal information of an Aadhaar card holder through biometrics or otherwise with any other person or authority. This statement allays the apprehension for now, that there is a widespread breach of privacy of those to whom an Aadhaar card has been issued."

2. Since Aadhaar numbers are being collected by various public as well as private agencies for delivery of services, it is hereby clarified that as per the above Supreme Court Order dated 11-08-2015 it is the responsibility of those agencies to:

(a) Protect the identity of Aadhaar card holder by maintaining the necessary confidentiality of his Aadhaar number; and

(b) To ensure that Aadhaar numbers are not posted, displayed, or made available in public domain such as internet, web, public notices etc. In case there is a requirement to publish a list of individuals by any department or any agency through a public notice, such list shall not contain Aadhaar numbers.

3. This issues with the approval of the DG & MD, UIDAI

(Dr YLP Rao)

Dy Director General, UIDAI HQ

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All Secretaries to the Govt of India
All Chief Secretaries of State Governments / UT Administrations
All Dy Director Generals of UIDAI / Regional Offices of UIDAI
All UIDAI Eco-system partners (Registrars, AUA/ASA/KUA/KSA etc)

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