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Implementation Committee in the U.T. of Puducherry -
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The minutes of the State UID Implementation Committee in the U.T.
of Puducherry held on 12.12.2011 under the Chairmanship of Chief
Secretary is sent herewith for information and necessary action.


(Dr. S. KANAGASABAI)
Joint Secretary to Govt.

Encl. As stated.

To

The Chairman and Members of the State UID Implementation Committee.

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1. P.S. to Chief Secretary, Puducherry
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Minutes of the meeting held on 12-12-2011 at 5.00 p.m.
in the Chamber of Chief Secretary to review the UID Project

A meeting was held on 12.12.2011 at 5.00 p.m. under the Chairperson of Chief Secretary-cum-Chairman (State UID Implementation Committee) to review the progress of Aadhaar enrolment and other related issues with concerned Secretaries, Joint Secretary (Plg.) and Registrar-cum-Director(CS&CA).

At the outset Registrar (UID) made a power point presentation on the progress of Aadhaar enrolment in the U.T. It was explained that there are 3,33,466 ration cards covering 12,70,000 members in the U.T. All activities relating to inclusion / deletion of members, change of address, surrender of cards etc. are designed, implemented and maintained by NIC, Puducherry.

The Aadhaar enrolment camp which was inaugurated in January 2011 is currently in progress in 24 camps. To a query from Chief Secretary, Director (CS&CA) replied that as per UIDAI guidelines, the Aadhaar enrolment has to be completed by 31.03.2012. In so far as Puducherry and Mahe regions are concerned, already major portion of enrolment has been covered and by December 2012 it is anticipated that 85% of the Aadhaar enrolment will be covered.

Director (CS&CA) also informed that the entire data in respect of the department's have been collected and standardized. In this regard Chief Secretary asked the departments like Social Welfare, Women & Child Development, Adi-draavidar Welfare Department implementing welfare schemes to share the data available under Aadhaar enrolment for verification of beneficiaries of all welfare schemes from a Central Server.

On the proposed issue of Smart Card, Director (CS&CA) clarified that the persons whose names and Bio-metric identities have been captured in the chips alone can get his monthly ration items from the shops allotted to him. No other person can use the smart card. The shop owner will have corresponding Bio-metric and proof in the special device so as to verify the identification of the customer.

Chief Secretary asked Director (CS&CA) to sort out the problem that has appeared in the Newspaper that the name of the District has been printed as "Pondicherry" instead of "Puducherry". Further Chief Secretary suggested that it may be ensured that the Smart Card are printed both in Regional languages as well as in English.

As regards the issue regarding NPR data and Aadhaar enrolment process, Chief Secretary asked Director (CS&CA) to take it up with the concerned Joint Secretary in Ministry of Home Affairs and thereafter the enrolment in Karaikal and Yanam will be taken up preferably after January 2012.

Regarding inclusion of Aadhaar number in the Application form for availing benefits under welfare schemes such as Old Age Pension etc. Special Secretary (Welfare) informed that proposal to amend the existing rules is under process. It was felt that both Smart Card Number and Aadhaar Number should be obtained from applicants.

As regards the progress so far made, Director (CS&CA) informed that as against the target of 12,83,626 beneficiaries, 7,82,693 beneficiaries have been enrolled under Aadhaar as on 01-12-2011.

Chief Secretary stated that successful generation of Aadhaar number will be meaningful only when there is actual issue of Aadhaar cards to the individual. Mere enrolments will not show the real achievement as this involves considerable time for validation. This should be looked into.

Registrar-cum-Director (CS&CA) informed that storage requirement is upto 20 TB size whereas only 3.5 TB is provided by State Data Centre (SDC). In this regard, the Technical Director (NIC) explained that installation of SDC transformer is underway in PEC campus. He also informed that infrastructure materials for the SDC have to be procured from TCS. In this regard Chief Secretary suggested that the data collected upto December 2011 may be sent to CIDR; Bangalore for validation which will take minimum 3 months as per the statement of Registrar. In the meantime the SDC at PEC would be ready and Director (CS&CA) could store the data here itself.

Chief Secretary also asked the Registrar to see that the required additional infrastructure for the proposed SDC are procured from the TCS by NIC, Puducherry by utilising the fund available under UID programme after following the approved procedure.

Director (CS&CA) informed that the smart card will be issued to the beneficiaries in a function organised on 19.12.2012 under the Chairmanship of His Excellency the Lt. Governor.

As regards fund position the Registrar informed that as against ₹1,64,29,178/- received for various activities a sum of ₹ 1,06,16,538/- has been spent leaving a balance of ₹58,12,640/-. In this regard Director (Plg.) informed that considerable balance amount would be available after meeting all the committed expenditure under UID and suggested that instead of surrendering the balance amount, this may be utilised for the activities of Civil Supplies Department after obtaining necessary approval from UIDAI, Planning Commission. Chief Secretary stated that the feasibility of utilisation of balance amount may be taken up with the competent authority after completion of Aadhaar enrolment.

Before concluding Chief Secretary asked Director (CS&CA) to arrange to give wide publicity for Aadhaar enrolment so as to create awareness among the public about the necessity of Aadhaar so as to complete the task well before the scheduled time limit.

With this the meeting came to an end.
