

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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AADHAAR ENABLED BANK ACCOUNTS

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up Aadhaar platform to support payments under various schemes directly to the beneficiaries accounts in the selected areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has asked the State Governments to set up Aadhaar enabled payments under various schemes;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the schemes likely to be covered; and
- (e) the response of various State Governments in the regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

- (a) & (b) Aadhaar-based platform has been set up to support payments under various schemes directly to the beneficiaries account through Aadhaar Payments Bridge (APB) and Aadhaar Enabled Payment Systems (AEPS).
- (c) to (e) Based on the extent of Aadhaar enrolments, etc., fifty districts have been identified for initiating pilots for Aadhaar enabled payments. State Governments have been requested to extend cooperation for expeditious completion of pilots.