

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

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UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION AUTHORITY OF INDIA
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed/proposes to extend the scope of Unique Identification Authority of India with a view to provide identification facilities in rural areas similar to urban areas.;
- (b) if so, the manner by which the work is likely to be done by the Authority; and
- (c) the progress made so far in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a) to (c): The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has been mandated to generate & issue unique identification numbers (Aadhaar) to all the residents of India irrespective of rural/urban distribution. To achieve this, the UIDAI has implemented the Aadhaar project through a Partnership Model with various State/Union Territories Governments/Financial Institutions /India Post etc. who are enrolling the residents in both rural & urban areas across different States/Union Territories. As on 31.7.2012, 19,07,33,080 Aadhaar numbers have been generated by UIDAI as per Annexure-1.