GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of the population covered under UID(Aadhaar), National Population Register(NPR) and Voters Identity Card, so far:
- (b) the areas where information provided in these UID(Aadhaar), NPR and Voters Identity Card overlap; and
- (c) the steps taken to avoid overlapping of the information contained therein?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

(a): The National Population Register (NPR) is a Register of all usual residents in the country. It would have details of specific characteristics of each usual resident. The NPR would also have photograph, 10 fingerprints and IRIS of all usual residents who are of age 5 years and above. The objective of creation of NPR is to net all usual residents of the country at a given point of time. The deduplication and generation of Aadhaar number by Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) is a part of NPR process. The collection of demographic data for creation of NPR has already been completed for the entire country through house-to-house enumeration. Scanning of all filled-in NPR schedule (i.e., approximately 27 crore) has been done. Data digitization of more than 117 crore population (97%) has been completed. Biometric enrolment of more than 13.42 crore population (12.33%) is over. The biometric data of 9.15 crore persons have been sent to UIDAI and Aadhaar number has been generated for 5.2 crore persons. UIDAI, under Planning Commission, is mandated to de-duplicate and generate a unique identity number 'Aadhaar', which is communicated to the residents through a letter, commonly known as Aadhaar Card. As on 31.03.2013, a total of 31.19 crore Aadhaar numbers have been generated by the UIDAI, which also includes the 5.2 crore Aadhaar generated through NPR.

As per the Electoral Roll data 2012, the Election Commission of India has 75.84 crore registered general electors in India.

- (b): Under NPR, 15 fields of demographic data was collected of all the usual residents namely; 1. Name of person, 2. Relationship to head, 3. Sex, 4. Date of Birth, 5. Marital Status, 6. Educational qualification, 7. Occupation/ Activity, 8. Name of father, 9. Name of mother, 10. Name of spouse, 11. Place of birth, 12. Nationality as declared, 13. Present address of usual residence, 14. Duration of stay at present address, and 15. Permanent residential address. During the second phase of NPR, three biometrics viz., Photograph, ten fingerprints and two IRIS are being collected for all usual residents who are of age 5 years and above. While enrolling for Aadhaar (either through NPR or any other registrar of UIDAI), five demographic fields viz., Name, Address, Gender, Age, Name of father/mother/guardian and three biometrics viz., Photograph, ten fingerprints and two IRIS are collected. For Elector Photo Identity Card (EPIC), the name, father's name, age as on 1st January, gender, address and photograph for voters of the age of 18 years and above are taken. Therefore, the five demographic fields Name, Address, Gender, Age, Name of father/mother/guardian and the photograph are common.
- (c): To minimize the duplication of efforts between NPR and UIDAI, the Government has decided that NPR enrolments will continue as envisaged but during the course of NPR biometric enrolment, a person indicates she/he is already enrolled for Aadhaar, the biometric data will not be captured for NPR. Instead the Aadhaar number will be recorded in NPR and the biometric data will be sourced from the UIDAI.