No. 13(2)/2023-EG-II Government of India Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology Electronics Niketan, 6, C G O Complex, New Delhi-110003 Website: www.meity.gov.in

Date : 25th March, 2025

CIRCULAR

Subject: Standard Operating Procedure and Application Format for submission of proposals for use of Aadhaar authentication under the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (as amended in 2025)-regarding

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has recently notified the amendments in the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 on 31.01.2025. The rules, incorporating the recent amendments, are available at https://wik.meity.gov.in//pdf/The_Aadhaar_Authentication_for_Good_Governance_Rules_2 https://wik.meity.gov.in//pdf/The_Aadhaar_Authentication_for_Good_Governance_Rules_2 https://wik.meity.gov.in//pdf/The_Aadhaar_Authentication_for_Good_Governance_Rules_2 https://wik.meity.gov.in//pdf/The_Aadhaar_Authentication_for_Good_Governance_Rules_2 https://wik.meity.gov.in//pdf/The_Aadhaar_Authentication_for_Good_Governance_Rules_2 https://wik.meity.gov.in//pdf/The_Aadhaar_Authentication_for_Good_Governance_Rules_2 https://wik.meity.gov.in//pdf/The_Aadhaar_Bovernance_Bovernance_Rules_2 https://wik.meity.gov.in//pdf/The_Bovernance_Boverna

2. Apart from Ministries or Departments of Central and State Government(s), these rules(as amended) also enables any entity other than the Ministry or Department of Central and State Government(s), for utilising Aadhaar authentication, on voluntary basis, by submitting a proposal with justification in regard to the authentication sought being for a purpose specified in rule 3 and in the interest of State, to the concerned Ministry or Department is of the opinion that the proposal submitted thereunder fulfils a purpose specified in rule 3 and is in the interest of State, it shall forward the proposal, along with its recommendations, to MeitY.

3. In this regard, 'Standard Operating Procedure, Application Format and Template of Letters' for submission of proposals by both <u>Ministry/Department of Central or State</u> <u>Government & associated Government organisations</u> as well as <u>Entities other than</u> <u>Government Entities/ organisations</u> for use of Aadhaar authentication, are enclosed as **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively. Further, a template of Gazette notification to be issued by Ministry/Department under the said rules is also enclosed as **Annexure-III**.

4. This is being issued in suppression of Ministry's Circular, issued vide No. 13(6)/2018-EG-II(Vol-II), dated 18.08.2020.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

(D. K. Sagar) Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India Tel. no. : 011-24301227

To:

- 1. Secretaries of all Ministries/ Departments of Govt. of India
- 2. Chief Secretaries of all States/ UTs

Annexure-I

Standard Operating Procedure for submission and approval of proposals of Ministry/Department of Central or State Government and associated Government organisations for processing on the Aadhaar Good Governance Portal

1. Submission of the proposal by Ministry/Department of Central or State Government and associated Government organisations

(A) Ministry or the Department of the Central Government or a State Government, seeking Aadhaar authentication must identify the specific use case(s) permitted under rule 3 of the *Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020(as amended in 2025).* The proposal for the use-case will need to be submitted to MeitY online on the Aadhaar Good Governance Portal (swik.meity.gov.in) in the prescribed application format (Appendix-1)¹.

(B) In case, a government organisation wants to seek Aadhaar authentication, it must identify the specific use case(s) permitted under rule 3 of the *Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020(as amended in 2025).* The proposal for use-case will need to be submitted to their concerned Ministry/Department² **online** on the **Aadhaar Good Governance Portal (swik.meity.gov.in)** in the prescribed application format (**Appendix-1**)¹ for its review and finalisation by the said Ministry/Department in accordance with the aforesaid rules. The concerned Ministry/Department shall thereafter forward the same, along with its recommendations, to MeitY on the portal itself.

2. Review of proposal by MeitY

MeitY shall review the application, note key observations, and if deemed appropriate, forward it to UIDAI for examination. The proposal may be returned to Ministry/Department, in case of any query.

3. Examination of proposal by UIDAI

UIDAI shall examine the proposal application in accordance with the purposes mentioned in rule 3 of the aforesaid rules and the provisions of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016. Upon its satisfaction, UIDAI shall inform MeitY that the Ministry/ Department or organisation may be allowed to perform Aadhaar authentication

4. Authorization by MeitY

Based on the recommendation received from UIDAI, MeitY shall authorise the concerned Ministry/Department to notify the use-case in the Gazette, in the prescribed template.

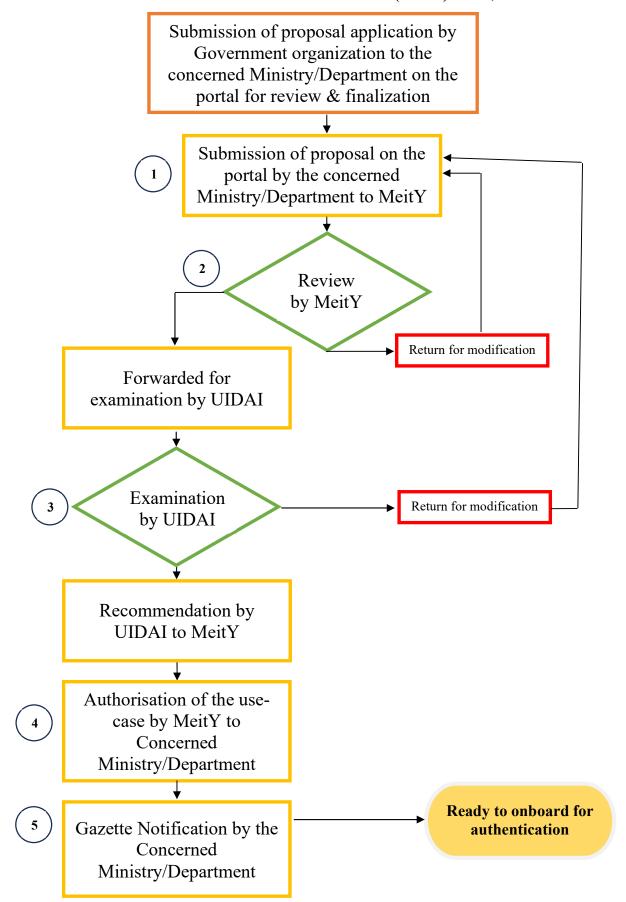
5. Issuance of official notification by the concerned Ministry/Department

Upon receipt of authorisation from MeitY, the concerned Ministry/Department shall issue a notification in the Gazette.

¹ The application format is also available on the Aadhaar Good Governance Portal [<u>swik.meity.gov.in</u>]

² Such Ministry/Department of the appropriate government in which business related to that purpose is transacted under the rules of business made under article 77 or 166 of the constitution, as the case may be.

Process flow for submission & approval of proposals of Ministry/Department of Central or State Government and associated Government organisations for Aadhaar authentication under the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (SWIK) Rules, 2020



<u>Application to MeitY for allowing use of Aadhaar authentication</u> <u>via Aadhaar Good Governance Portal (swik.meity.gov.in)</u>

{under Rule 4 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (as amended in 2025)}

Ref. no.

To.

Date:

The Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India, Electronics Niketan, 6, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110 003.

Sir/Madam,

2. [The proposal submitted by the organisation has been reviewed in accordance with the said rules. The proposal of the organisation is being recommended for allowing use of Aadhaar authentication.]¹

3. The proposal is being submitted on <u>Aadhaar Good Governance Portal (swik.meity.gov.in)</u>. Any other information/ document will be provided to the MeitY or UIDAI, as and when required.

(Signed by) Secretary of the Ministry/Department²

¹This shall be required in case of a proposal of an organisation. If a Ministry/Department is submitting a proposal for itself, this paragraph may not be required.

²In case, the covering letter is not being signed by the Secretary. The signatory of letter shall mention in the letter that the proposal has the approval of Secretary of the Ministry.

ONLINE AADHAAR AUTHENTICATION PROPOSAL FORMAT

Central/State Nodal Ministry/Department Details

| Name of Ministry/Department | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|----------------|------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| | | | | | | |
| Contact Deta | ails | | | | | |
| Name | Designation | E-mail | Mobile No. | Office No. with STD Code | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Registered Office Address | | Correspondence | e Address | | | |
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Applicant Details

| 1. Name of Applicant organization* | | | | | |
|--|--|-----------------|--|--|--|
| | | | | | |
| Contact Details | 0 | Same as Nodal | | | |
| 2. Name* 3. Desig | gnation* 4. E-1 | Mail* | | | |
| 5. Mobile No.* | 6. Office No. with STD Code* | | | | |
| 7. Registered Office Address* | 7. Registered Office Address* 8. Correspondence Address* | | | | |
| 9. Brief Description of the Initiative/Scheme* | | | | | |
| a) What is initiative/scheme* | | (max words 100) | | | |
| | | | | | |
| b) Benefit from implementation of initiat | ive/scheme* | (max words 100) | | | |
| | | | | | |
| c) Eco-system and the processes involved | d in achievement of the benefit* | (max words 100) | | | |
| | | | | | |
| d) Who are users/beneficiaries* | | (max words 100) | | | |
| | | | | | |

Authentication Requirements*

| 10. Proposed Aadhar Authentication Service Use C | ase* (ma | x words 100) | | | | |
|---|---|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| To verify the identity of [users/beneficiaries] for the | To verify the identity of [users/beneficiaries] for the purpose of [] | | | | | |
| | () | | | | | |
| 11. Aadhaar Authentication service use case will m | U I I () | | | | | |
| (Ref: Rule 3 of the Aadhar Authentication for Good | l Governance (Social Welfar | e, Innovation, | | | | |
| Knowledge) Rules, 2020) * | | | | | | |
| O Usage of digital platforms to ensure good govern | ance | | | | | |
| O Prevention of dissipation of social welfare benefi | ts and | | | | | |
| © Enablement of innovation of spread of knowledg | e | | | | | |
| O Promoting ease of living of residents and enablin | | r them | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 12. Justification for the Use-case to be considered | for the above purpose (please | select whichever is | | | | |
| applicable) * | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Justification Explanation Attachment | | | | | | |
| □ De-duplication | Explanation may be given | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| □ To prevent impersonation | | | | | | |

| □ To prevent fraudulent activity | Explanation may be given |
|--|--------------------------|
| □ Efficient and timely verification | Explanation may be given |
| □ Data accuracy and integrity | Explanation may be given |
| □ Quick & Hassel free services to residents | Explanation may be given |
| To establish authenticity and genuineness of the applicants/users | Explanation may be given |
| Court order/Government policy | Explanation may be given |
| □ Others | Explanation may be given |

13. Name of the proposed Authentication User Agency (AUA)e-KYC User Agency (KUA) for the use of Aadhaar Authentication facilities*

Please select propose AUA/KUA from the list or select "other" incase if Department itself wants to become AUA/KUA

- 14. Aadhaar authentication facilities proposed to be used (Please select one) *
 - □ Yes/No Authentication only
 - □ Yes/No and e-KYC

15. Mode of Authentication*

- □ Biometric-Based authentication and OTP
- □ Biometric-Based authentication and Demographic Authentication
- □ Biometric-Base authentication, OTP and Demographic Authentication

Other Details*

16. Provision for alternate and viable means of identification (Multiple options may be selected) *

17. Aadhaar Authentication Application Flow Diagram including deployment strategy of Application such as On-Premise/Cloud and deployment of HSM & ADV *

Please attach

Max file size 2MB (upload PDF only)

18. Service Delivery Process using Aadhaar authentication and e-KYC (in the form of flow chart and including alternate means of identification) *

Please attach

Max file size 2MB (upload PDF only)

19. Any other relevant information or document

Declaration*:

□ (i) In-principle commitment of the Ministry/Department to comply with all security and privacy provisions of the Aadhaar Act, 2016, regulations thereunder and various guidelines issued by UIDAI.

(ii) Aadhaar Authentication Application and related infrastructure will be on-premise or on Government Community Cloud Service Providers only.

[To be submitted online]

Annexure-II

Standard Operating Procedure for submission and approval of proposals of entities other than Government entities for processing on the Aadhaar Good Governance Portal

<u>Standard Operating Procedure for submission and approval of proposals of entities other than</u> <u>Government entities on the Aadhaar Good Governance Portal (swik.meity.gov.in) as per the Aadhaar</u> <u>Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020</u> (as amended in 2025)

1. Submission of the proposal of entity by the concerned Ministry/Department

An organisation incorporated and registered in India seeking Aadhaar authentication must identify the specific use case(s) permitted under rule 3 of the *Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020(as amended in 2025).* The use case will need to be submitted to the concerned Ministry/Department¹ in the prescribed application format (**Annexure-2**)² for its review and finalisation by the said Ministry/Department in accordance with the aforesaid rules.

The organisation must provide details including service use case, justification in regard to the Aadhaar based authentication being sought for the purpose specified in rule 3, brief description of the initiative, its users/ beneficiaries, ecosystem involved in achievement of the benefit, among others.

The concerned Ministry or Department shall review the proposal received from the entity and if, the proposal submitted thereunder fulfils a purpose specified in rule 3 and is in the interest of State, it shall submit the proposal, along with its recommendations, to MeitY on the **Aadhaar Good Governance Portal (swik.meity.gov.in)**.

2. Review of proposal by MeitY

MeitY shall review the application, note key observations, and if deemed appropriate, forward it to UIDAI for examination. The proposal may be returned to concerned Ministry, in case of any query.

3. Examination of proposal by UIDAI

UIDAI shall examine the proposal application in accordance with the purposes mentioned in rule 3 of the aforesaid rules and the provisions of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016. Upon its satisfaction, UIDAI shall inform MeitY that the entity may be allowed to perform Aadhaar authentication

4. Authorization by MeitY

Based on the recommendation received from UIDAI, MeitY shall authorise the concerned Ministry/Department to notify the use-case in the Gazette, in the prescribed template.

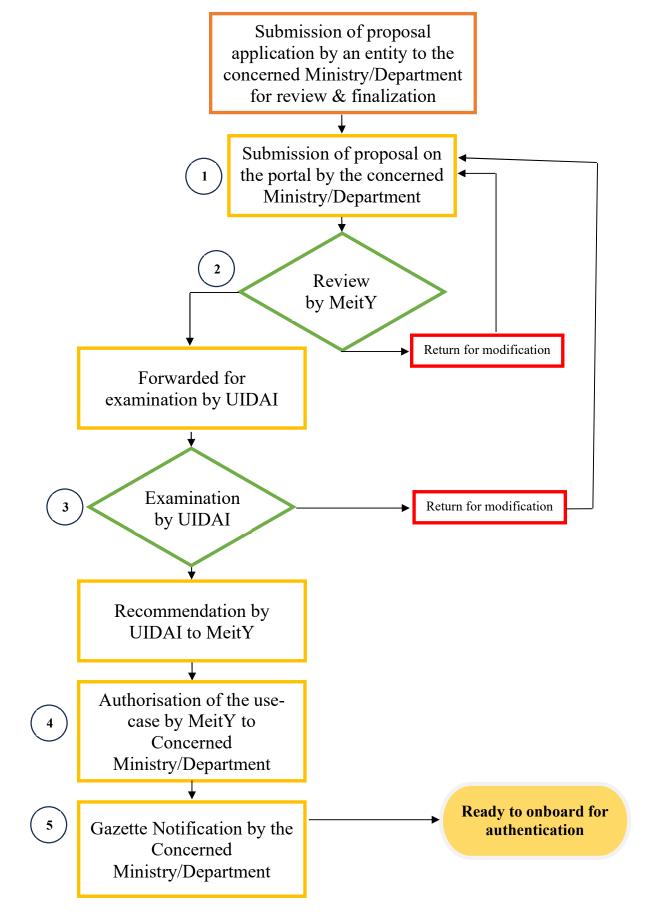
5. Issuance of official notification by the concerned Ministry/Department

Upon receipt of authorisation from MeitY, the concerned Ministry/Department shall issue a notification in the Gazette.

¹ Such Ministry/Department of the appropriate government in which business related to that purpose is transacted under the rules of business made under article 77 or 166 of the constitution, as the case may be. The **Annexure-1** having sector-wise possible use-cases and the concerned Ministry may also be referred.

² The application format is also available on the Aadhaar Good Governance Portal [swik.meity.gov.in]

Process flow for submission & approval of proposals of entities other than Government entities for Aadhaar authentication under the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (SWIK) Rules, 2020



Annexure-1

Possible use cases under the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (as amended in 2025)

| Sector/ Type of entity | Concerned Ministry/Department of Central Government (and its equivalent Ministry/Department in States/UTs, where applicable) | Associated Use Cases | |
|--|---|---|--|
| | Ministry of Civil Aviation | Online booking of tickets by airline company | |
| | Willistry of Civil Aviation | Staff attendance in office and airport | |
| | Ministry of Road Transport and | eKYC verification of users by rental service | |
| Hospitality & Tourism | Highways Ministry of Tourism | providerekyc verification of guests during reservationprocess at hotels, resorts, homestays, resorts andother places of visits by online booking servicesaggregatorsOnline booking of tickets via travel bookingservices aggregator | |
| Health Care Department of Health and Family Welfare (Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) | | Staff attendance in hospitals, diagnosis centres and other institutesRegistration of patients and health record access managementAuthentication during processing of mediclaim and issuance of discharge summaryCustomer onboarding on online pharmacy portal Customer onboarding and booking of appointment on consultation portals | |
| E-commerce Services | Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (Ministry of Commerce and Industry) | Authentication during assigning of delivery partnerby service aggregator companiesCustomer onboardingStaff attendance | |
| Radio Taxi and Cab aggregators | Ministry of Road Transport and Highways | Authentication during assigning of cab driver by cab service aggregator service providersCustomer/Rider onboardingStaff attendance | |
| Credit Rating Bureau/ agencies | Department of Financial Services (Ministry of Finance) | ekyc verification and obtaining of consent from subscribers | |
| Stock trading and Mutual funds | Department of Economic Affairs (Ministry of Finance) | ekyc verification and obtaining of consent from subscribers by SEBI-registered brokers | |
| Educational institutions | Department of School Education and Literacy, or Department of Higher Education | Registration of students for admission and scholarship Attendance of students and faculty | |
| Professional examinations | (Ministry of Education) 1. Department of Personnel & Training, or 2. Department of Higher Education (Ministry of Education) | Candidate registration during examination conducted by institutes. | |

| Sector/ Type of entity | Concerned Ministry/Department of Central Government (and its equivalent Ministry/Department in States/UTs, where applicable) | Associated Use Cases | |
|---------------------------|---|---|--|
| Skill assessment | Ministry of Skill Development and | Candidate registration during examination | |
| agencies | Entrepreneurship | conducted by institutes. | |
| | Department of Pharmaceuticals (Ministry of Chemicals and | Customer onboarding/registration | |
| Pharmaceuticals | | Staff attendance | |
| Companies | Fertilizers) | Authentication during assigning of delivery partner | |
| | | by service aggregator companies | |
| Sacurity | | Customer onboarding/registration | |
| Security | Department of Internal Security | Staff attendance | |
| Companies | | Authentication while managing cash logistics | |
| Financial | Department of Financial Services | Delivery of financial services | |
| Institutions | (Ministry of Finance) | Customer/Merchant onboarding | |

<u>Forwarding Application of Entities other than Government Entities to MeitY for allowing use of</u> <u>Aadhaar authentication</u> <u>via Aadhaar Good Governance Portal (swik.meity.gov.in)</u>

{under Rule 4 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (as amended in 2025)}

To,

The Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India, Electronics Niketan, 6, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110 003.

Sir/Madam,

2. The proposal has been examined and the Ministry/Department is of the opinion that the proposal submitted by the entity fulfils a purpose specified in rule 3 of said rules and <u>is in the interest of State</u>. The proposal of the entity is being recommended for allowing use of Aadhaar authentication.

3. The proposal is being submitted on <u>Aadhaar Good Governance Portal (swik.meity.gov.in)</u>. Any other information/ document will be provided to the MeitY or UIDAI, as and when required.

(Signed by) Secretary of the Ministry/Department¹

<u>APPLICATION TO CONCERNED MINISTRY FOR ONWARD SUBMISSION TO MEITY FOR</u> <u>ALLOWING USE OF AADHAAR AUTHENTICATION</u>

{under Rule 4 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (as amended in 2025)}

Ref. no.

Date:

To,

The Secretary, [Concerned Ministry]

Sir/Madam,

The details of the use-case, applicable purpose, justification and proposed Authentication User Agency/KYC User Agency etc. are provided in the prescribed format at Annexure-2. Any other information/ document will be provided immediately to the concerned Ministry, MeitY or UIDAI, as and when required.

Signature of Authorised Signatory

Seal of Entity

Aadhaar Authentication Application form for entities other than Government entities

| Applicant Details: | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------|-----------------|
| 1. Name of the Entity: * | | 2. CIN No.:* | | |
| | | | | |
| 3. TAN No.:* | | 4. GSTIN No.:* | k | |
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| ~ D · / 1 / 1 · · | | | 11 4 | |
| 5. Registered Address:* | | 6. Corporate Ad | ddress:* | |
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| | | | | |
| 7. Key Management Person Deta | | | | |
| a. Name: | b. Designation: | | c. E-Mail: | |
| | | | | |
| d. Mobile No.: | | e. Office No. with | STD Code: | |
| | | | | |
| 8. Entity Details:* | | | | |
| | | 1 0 0' | | |
| a. Annual Turnover for last 3 years | : | b. Company Size: (No. of employees based | | |
| | | | , | |
| c. Estimated Transactions Per Year | : | | | |
| \Box upto 5 lakh transactions | | | | |
| \Box 5 lakh to 20 lakh transaction | | | | |
| □ More than 20 lakh transactions | | | | |
| 9. Brief Description of the Initiat | ive/Scheme: | | | |
| a) What is initiative/scheme* | | | | (max words 100) |
| 1) D. 64 6 | C :::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::: | * | | (|
| b) Benefit from implementation of | of initiative/schem | 16* | | (max words 100) |
| c) Eco-system and the processes | involved in achiev | vement of the benef | fit * | (max words 100) |
| | | | | |
| d) Who are users/beneficiaries | | | | (max words 100) |
| | | | | |

Authentication Requirements

| 10. Proposed Aadhaar Authentication Service Use Case* | (max words 100) |
|--|-----------------|
| Briefly define the use-case for which Aadhaar authentication being sought under the said u | se case. |

| 11. | Aadhaar | Authenticatic | n service use | case will | meet the | followi | ng purposes(s)* |
|-----|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|----------|---------|-----------------|
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(Ref: Rule 3 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020)

□ Usage of digital platforms to ensure good governance

 $\hfill\square$ Prevention of dissipation of social welfare benefits and

 $\hfill\square$ Enablement of innovation of spread of knowledge

 \Box Promoting ease of living of residents and enabling better access of services for them

12. Justification for the Use-case to be considered for the above purpose (please select whichever is applicable)*

Basis the option opted from the below, please share the brief justification about the use-case along with necessary policy/operating procedure/internal document & etc.

| Justification | Explanation | Attachment |
|---|------------------------------------|------------|
| □ To prevent impersonation | Brief explanation must be provided | If any |
| ☐ To prevent fraudulent activity | Brief explanation must be provided | If any |
| Efficient and timely verification | Brief explanation must be provided | If any |
| Data accuracy and integrity | Brief explanation must be provided | If any |
| Quick & Hassel free services to residents | Brief explanation must be provided | If any |
| To establish authenticity and genuineness of the applicants/users | Brief explanation must be provided | If any |
| Court order/Government policy | Brief explanation must be provided | If any |
| □ Others | Brief explanation must be provided | If any |

13. Name of the proposed Authentication User Agency (AUA)/e-KYC User Agency (KUA) for the use of Aadhaar Authentication facilities*

Please select proposed AUA/KUA from the list or select "Other" (Proposed name of the requesting entity) in case the entity itself wants to become an AUA/KUA

(Please select proposed AUA/KUA from the list (<u>https://uidai.gov.in/en/ecosystem/authentication-devices-documents/authentication-document.html</u>) or select "other" incase if the entity itself wants to become AUA/KUA)

14. Aadhaar authentication facilities proposed to be used (Please select one) *

- □ Yes/No Authentication only
- \Box Yes/No and e-KYC

15. Mode of Authentication*

- □ Biometric-Based authentication and OTP
- □ Biometric-Based authentication and Demographic Authentication

□ Biometric-Base authentication, OTP and Demographic Authentication

Other Details*

16. Provision for alternate and viable means of identification (Multiple options may be selected)

Please provide alternate and viable means (other than Aadhaar based authentication) for identification of beneficiaries under said scheme/initiative, like Bank or Post office passbook with photo; or Permanent Account Number (PAN) Card; or Passport; or Ration Card; or Voter Identity Card; etc.

17. Aadhaar Authentication Application Flow Diagram including deployment strategy of Application such as On-Premise/Cloud and deployment of HSM & ADV*

Please attach Aadhaar Authentication Application process flow architecture showcasing connectivity of proposed application with security components of DC/DR, Servers, Database, Hardware Security Module, Aadhaar Data Vault, whether in-premise or on cloud, and its established communication of AUA/ASA with UIDAI HDC & MDC.

18. Service Delivery Process using Aadhaar authentication and e-KYC (in the form of flow chart and including alternate means of identification)

Please attach service delivery process using Aadhaar based authentication in the form of flowchart that includes alternate viable means for identification of the beneficiary.

19. I hereby declare that-

- \Box I am the authorized signatory to submit the application on behalf of the entity.
- □ The information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of our knowledge.
- □ I agree to comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and guidelines issued by UIDAI and the Government of India.
- □ Aadhaar Authentication Application and related infrastructure will be on-premise or on Government Community Cloud Service Providers only.
- □ I understand that, if found in violation of applicable laws, rules, regulations, and guidelines, the applicant entity shall not be eligible to be appointed as requesting entity of UIDAI until:

(i) a period of 5 years has not elapsed from the date of imposition of disincentives/penalty on the applicant entity by UIDAI;

(ii) a period of 5 years has not elapsed from the date of expiry of any sentence resultant of conviction or disqualification of applicant entity or its management under any law for the time being in force; and/or

(iii) a period of 5 years has not elapsed since the date the applicant entity or its management is disqualified by or disassociated by the regulator concerned.

Date:

Annexure-III

Sample template for a notification pursuant to Rule 5 of The Aadhaar authentication for good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, knowledge) Rules, 2020 read with section 4(4)(b)(ii) of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016

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S.O.___(E).—Whereas the use of Aadhaar number to establish identity enables individuals to receive subsidies, benefits and services in a convenient and seamless manner, obviates the need for multiplicity of documents to establish identity, simplifies processes and promotes transparency and efficiency:

And whereas the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India, after consultation with the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), had allowed *vide* its letter no. ______, dated ______ to the ______⁷ (hereinafter referred to as the said Ministry or the said department or the said Agency), Government of _______⁸ (hereinafter referred to as the said Government) for the purposes prescribed under sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (hereinafter referred to as the said Government/Ministry/Department/Agency may be allowed to perform authentication and be permitted the use of Aadhaar number during authentication for establishing identity of Aadhaar number holder and notify the same under rule 5 of the said rules read with sub-clause (ii) of clause (b) of sub-section (4) of section 4 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the Act):

And whereas, the Aadhaar authentication shall be performed for ______ (hereinafter referred to as the said purpose) as prescribed under sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the said rules and the performance of Aadhaar authentication for the said purpose shall be on voluntary basis and that the said Ministry/Department/Agency shall perform the Aadhaar

⁶ Year

¹ <**THE GAZETTE OF INDIA, EXTRAORDINARY, PART II, SECTION 3, SUB-SECTION (i)**> *OR*, in respect of a State, appropriate reference to the Official Gazette of the State concerned

 $^{^{2}}$ <India> *OR* name of State

³ Name of Ministry or Department or both

⁴ Name of city

⁵ Date and month

⁷ Name of Ministry or Department or Agency

⁸ <India> *OR* name of State

authentication only for ______ [hereinafter referred to as the use case(s)].

Now, therefore, in pursuance of rule 5 of the said rules read with sub-clause (ii) of clause (b) of sub-section (4) of section 4 of the Act, the said Ministry/Department/Agency hereby notifies the following, namely: —

- 1. (1) The Ministry/Department/Agency, as provided in the Act, shall obtain the consent of the Aadhaar number holder for the purpose of authentication herein.
 - (2) As per sub-rule (2) of rule 3 of the said rules, Aadhaar authentication is on voluntary basis the Ministry/Department/Agency shall inform to the Aadhaar number holder of alternate and viable means of identification and shall not deny any service to the Aadhaar number holder for refusing to, or being unable to, undergo Aadhaar authentication, namely:
 - (a)
 - (b)
 - (c)
 - (d)

2. This notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the official Gazette.

[F. no. ________9

⁹ Name of officer

¹⁰ Designation of officer