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Government of India
Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Extension of stipulated date for Aadhaar Enrolment as mentioned in various Notifications issued by Central Ministries under Section 7 of Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 upto 31st March, 2018.

The use of Aadhaar as identifier for delivery of services/benefits/subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in good governance, transparency and efficiency, and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly to them in a convenient and hassle free manner. Aadhaar obviates the need for producing multiple documents to prove identity.

2. The Central Ministries for the purpose of using Aadhaar for delivery of services, benefits and subsidies funded from the Consolidated Fund of India have issued notifications under Section 7 of the Aadhaar Act. The list of such notifications is enclosed. The Notifications inter alia mention the stipulated date by which the beneficiaries of the respective scheme entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per the provisions of Section 3 of the Aadhaar Act shall have to apply for Aadhaar enrolment.

3. In order to facilitate convenient and seamless delivery of services/benefits/subsidies covered by these notifications to the intended eligible beneficiaries and avoid hardships to such beneficiaries, this Ministry earlier vide its O.Ms dated 22.06.2017 and 27.09.2017 had required the respective Ministries/Departments to extend the stipulated date in all such notifications upto 30th September, 2017 and 31st December, 2017 respectively. Now, as a result of the review of welfare schemes covered under such notifications and to provide the benefits of such schemes to all the eligible beneficiaries of the schemes, it has now been decided to further extend the stipulated date in all such notifications upto 31st March, 2018. It is hereby clarified that this extension shall only apply to those beneficiaries who are not assigned Aadhaar number or those who have not yet enrolled for Aadhaar. Such beneficiaries are required to enroll for Aadhaar by 31st March, 2018 and provide their Aadhaar number or enrolment ID as required under the respective notifications issued under Section 7 of the Aadhaar Act.

4. For such beneficiaries who have not enrolled for Aadhaar, the respective Ministries/Departments should facilitate their Aadhaar enrolments through appropriate measures, in accordance with Rule 12 of Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016 and ensure that the benefits are continued to them on the basis of alternate means of identification till they are assigned Aadhaar numbers in accordance with Section 7 of the Aadhaar Act, 2016.

5. The respective Ministries/Departments should also take special measures to issue Aadhaar numbers to women, children, senior citizens, persons with disability, unskilled and unorganized workers, nomadic tribes or to such other persons who do not have any permanent dwelling house etc. in accordance with Section 5 of the Aadhaar Act, 2016, to ensure that the services/benefits are not denied to the eligible beneficiaries.

6. The respective Ministries/Departments should issue necessary orders in this regard and provide wide publicity for the information of their beneficiaries and public at large.

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To
Secretaries to Government of India
All Central Ministries/Departments