

**Aadhaar Payment Service**

1842. SHRI N. GOKULAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken a decision to introduce Aadhaar Payment Service system to enable people to make their payments or receipts through Aadhaar Unique Identity Number, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether all people in the country have been issued Aadhaar cards, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) by when this system will come into force; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to complete the distribution of Aadhaar cards to enable people adapt to the system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY): (a) Aadhaar Enabled Payment System is one of the payment systems being used by the Banks to provide service to their customers. It is a part of digital payments initiatives of Government of India wherein emphasis is being laid on usage of Unified Payments Interface (UPI), Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD), Immediate Payment Service (IMPS), Debit Cards and Aadhaar, to achieve the objective of moving towards less cash society by adopting digital payments.

(b) to (d) Though a target of universal enrolment is being pursued, enrolment for Aadhaar is an on-going process. As on 28.02.2017, a total of 112.26 crores Aadhaar have been generated in the country. State/UT-wise details are given in the Statement (*See below*). For issuing Aadhaar to the residents of the country, Unique Identification Authority (UIDAI) has adopted the multi registrar model under which various State Governments/UT Administrations, Central Ministries, Banks and the Public Sector Organizations have been made Registrars for enrolling the residents for Aadhaar. The Registrars engage enrolment agencies for carrying out enrolment of residents.

**Statement***State/UT-wise Aadhaar Saturation*

(As on 28.2.2017)

Sl. No.	State/UT	Total Population (Projected 2015)	Number of Aadhaars assigned	In % of Projected Population 2015
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Delhi	17,720,573	20,846,334	118%
2.	Haryana	26,816,977	27,565,296	103%
3.	Telangana	37,253,813	37,997,961	102%
4.	Punjab	29,303,888	29,756,585	102%
5.	Himachal Pradesh	7,252,406	7,359,276	101%
6.	Lakshadweep	68,149	68,983	101%
7.	Chandigarh	1,115,584	1,116,319	100%
8.	Goa	1,541,892	1,527,883	99%
9.	Kerala	35,315,493	34,977,329	99%
10.	Chhattisgarh	27,014,896	26,400,345	98%
11.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	362,649	354,215	98%
12.	Puducherry	1,316,320	1,284,128	98%
13.	Andhra Pradesh	52,229,924	50,722,016	97%
14.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	401,882	389,333	97%
15.	Jharkhand	34,869,720	33,778,892	97%
16.	Uttarakhand	10,700,897	10,308,862	96%
17.	Maharashtra	118,861,427	111,570,155	94%
18.	Tripura	3,882,999	3,643,270	94%
19.	Karnataka	64,660,412	60,236,826	93%
20.	Madhya Pradesh	76,789,374	71,468,080	93%

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21.	Gujarat	62,100,000	57,101,842	92%
22.	Sikkim	642,776	589,595	92%
23.	Tamil Nadu	76,304,287	68,617,594	90%
24.	West Bengal	96,622,186	85,733,856	89%
25.	Rajasthan	72,583,213	63,891,456	88%
26.	Odisha	44,369,413	38,876,522	88%
27.	Uttar Pradesh	211,105,381	175,142,905	83%
28.	Daman and Diu	256,937	206,419	80%
29.	Bihar	109,798,353	85,016,105	77%
30.	Manipur	2,878,911	1,958,818	68%
31.	Jammu and Kashmir	13,273,505	8,877,651	67%
32.	Arunachal Pradesh	1,462,443	932,864	64%
33.	Mizoram	1,154,010	657,939	57%
34.	Nagaland	2,094,963	1,151,075	55%
35.	Meghalaya	3,135,150	278,906	9%
36.	Assam	32,968,997	2,147,968	7%
TOTAL		1,278,229,800	1,122,553,603	87.8%

#### **R&D in food processing sector**

1843. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken to promote Research and Development (R&D) activities in the food processing sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether Government is providing any investment-linked incentives for in-house R&D expenditure incurred by the companies in the sector; and