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DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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F. No. E-13016/6/2024-Development-IT Department

Dated:

To,

All Addl. Chief Secretaries/ Pr. Secretaries/ Secretaries/HODs,
Government of NCT of Delhi

Subject: Offline Verification through Aadhaar App.

Please refer to the Secretary (MeitY) DO Letter No.HQ-30011/3/2025-AU-HO dated 15.05.2026 (copy enclosed)

The Secretary, MeitY vide DO letter dated 15.05.2026 has mentioned the following regarding Offline Verification through Aadhaar App: -

- (a) UIDAI had recently launched its new mobile application, Aadhaar App, that allows Aadhaar Number Holder (ANH) to securely store, show, and share Aadhaar verifiable credentials with any external entity for the purpose of identity verification.
- (b) Aadhaar app based Offline Verification enables secure identity verification, addressing challenges relating to data privacy (Aadhaar photocopy misuse), authenticity of offline Aadhaar data and proof of presence. The Aadhaar App facilitates consent-based sharing of digitally signed and tamper-proof offline Aadhaar data with provision of offline face verification, thereby providing verifiers a secure, efficient and compliant offline verification mechanism with reduced operational overhead.
- (c) Any entity desirous of undertaking Aadhaar app based Offline Verification of Aadhaar Number Holder, should register itself as an Offline Verification Seeking Entity (OVSE) with UIDAI, in accordance with the Aadhaar (Authentication and Offline Verification) Amendment Regulations, 2025 notified by Gazette notification issued on 9 December 2025(attached under references). Several entities including central government departments, state government departments and private entities have got registered as OVSE.
- (d) Aadhaar app based Offline Verification can be explored across various citizen-facing use cases such as hotel and guest house registration,

visitor management at government and non-government establishments, patient verification at hospitals, candidates' verification for examination, and other service delivery ecosystems requiring reliable identity verification on day-to-day basis.

In view of the above, all the Departments of GNCTD are requested explore adoption of Aadhaar based Offline Verification at various citizen-facing services to promote ease of living for Aadhaar Number Holder and ease of doing business for verifying agencies.

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Government of India
DO No. HQ-30011/3/2025-AU-HO
15th May, 2026

Dear Chief Secretary,

UIDAI had recently launched its new mobile application, Aadhaar App, that allows Aadhaar Number Holder (ANH) to securely store, show, and share **Aadhaar verifiable credentials** with any external entity for the purpose of identity verification.

2. Aadhaar app based Offline Verification enables secure identity verification, addressing challenges relating to data privacy (Aadhaar photocopy misuse), authenticity of offline Aadhaar data and proof of presence. The Aadhaar App facilitates consent-based sharing of digitally signed and tamper-proof offline Aadhaar data with provision of offline face verification, thereby providing verifiers a secure, efficient and compliant offline verification mechanism with reduced operational overhead.

3. The recent circular No HQ-30011/3/2025-AU-HO by UIDAI, dated 30.04.26, recognizes Aadhaar Verifiable Credentials shown, shared and/or verified through Aadhaar Application, as a valid mechanism for establishing identity of the Aadhaar Number Holder (Copy enclosed for ready reference).

4. Any entity desirous of undertaking Aadhaar app based Offline Verification of Aadhaar Number Holder, should register itself as an Offline Verification Seeking Entity (OVSE) with UIDAI, in accordance with the Aadhaar (Authentication and Offline Verification) Amendment Regulations, 2025 notified by Gazette notification issued on 9th December 2025. Several entities including central government departments, state government departments and private entities have got registered as OVSE.

5. Aadhaar app based Offline Verification can be explored across various citizen-facing use cases such as hotel and guest house registration, visitor management at government and non-government establishments, patient verification at hospitals, candidates' verification for examination, and other service delivery ecosystems requiring reliable identity verification on day-to-day basis.

6. The entire process is designed in alignment with applicable Aadhaar regulations and the provisions of the Digital Personal Data Protection Act.

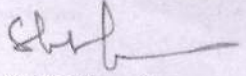
7. During recent discussions with State authorities and law-enforcement agencies, it was observed that Aadhaar app based Offline Verification mechanism can significantly ensure public safety and reduce cases of identity impersonation.

8. A brief introduction of Aadhaar App and Offline Verification is attached for ready reference.

9. In this regard, it is requested that States/UTs may explore adoption of Aadhaar App based Offline Verification at various citizen-facing services to promote ease of living for Aadhaar Number Holders and ease of doing business for verifying agencies.

Yours regards,

Yours sincerely,


(S. Krishnan)

To,

Chief Secretaries of all States/ UTs

