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Sub: Availing Aadhaar authentication modalities by Requesting Entities – reg.

UIDAI provides three types of modalities for carrying out Aadhaar-based online authentications namely, Demographic, OTP-based and Biometric-based (Fingerprint/Iris/Face). As per Regulation 4(3) of the Aadhaar (Authentication and Offline Verification) Regulations 2021, any Requesting Entity (RE) can opt for one or more of these authentication modalities for a particular service or business function as per its requirement, including multiple factor authentication for enhanced security.

2. Presently, at the time of initial on-boarding only those authentication modalities are enabled for an RE which it has opted for. Subsequently, additional modalities are extended as and when requested by it as per its requirement. This requires approval from the Competent Authority and adds one more step to the process.

3. In this backdrop, in order to simplify the process and to encourage REs to opt for maximum number of authentication modalities, it has been decided to extend all authentication modalities to all REs. A RE may opt for one or more modalities as per its requirement and the same will be enabled for it. However, for availing these modalities in production environment, REs will be required to confirm their technical preparedness by submitting test transactions under opted modalities (done in pre-production environment) and an IS Audit report from a CERT-In empanelled IS Auditor as per the extant practice.

4. This issues under approval of the Chief Executive Officer.


(Sanjeev Yadav)
Director

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All ASAs and AUAs/KUAs