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HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 11th June, 2026

No.HLA.772388/33.- Whereas the use of Aadhaar number to establish identity enables individuals to receive subsidies, benefits and services in a convenient and seamless manner, which also obviates the need for multiplicity of documents to establish identity, simplifies processes and promotes transparency and efficiency.

And whereas the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India vide D.O. No. Z-28014/07/2022-NHM-IV dated 5th March 2026 informed that, Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) is a major reform initiative of the Government of India, aimed at ensuring targeted delivery of benefits to citizens through the effective use of technology. DBT Schemes are notified under Section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, benefits and Services) Act, 2016 enabling the Central or State government to mandate Aadhaar authentication or proof of profession for individuals receiving subsidies, benefits or services funded by the Consolidated Fund of India or State.

And whereas DBT Mission, Cabinet Secretariat desires the need to achieve 100% Biometric Aadhaar Authentication and Aadhaar-Based Payments using Aadhaar Payment Bridge (APB) across all DBT-linked schemes, including ASHA Incentives and Payments to Contractual Staff.

And whereas Department of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India desires to ensure 100% Biometric Aadhaar Authentication and Aadhaar-Based Payments (ABP) for ASHA incentive and payments to contractual staff.

And whereas National Health Mission (hereinafter referred to as NHM), Assam under Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Assam (funded by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India and Government of Assam in 90:10 ratio) is responsible for payment of ASHA incentives and payments to contractual staff under National Health Mission (NHM), Assam.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the provisions of section 7 of the AADHAAR (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Government of Assam hereby notifies the following namely:-

1. All Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs) and contractual staffs engaged under National Health Mission (NHM) shall be required to undergo authentication, or proof of possession of AADHAAR number.
2. In case such ASHA or contractual staff under NHM has not assigned an AADHAAR number, she/ he shall be required to make an application for enrolment.
3. In accordance with the provision of regulation 12 of AADHAAR (Enrolment and Update) Regulation, 2016, National Health Mission, Assam under Health & Family Welfare Department shall ensure enrolment of such ASHA or contractual staff under NHM who are yet to be enrolled or update their AADHAAR details through appropriate measures, including coordination with Registrars and setting up enrolment centres at convenient locations or providing enrolment facilities by becoming a Registrar itself.

Provided that till such time an AADHAAR number is assigned to such ASHA or contractual staff under NHM, she/ he may establish his/her identity to avail of the said benefit, by presenting the following documents to which (s)he is entitled and which are valid at the time of presentation, by giving his consent for so obtaining, namely:

- a. The acknowledgement of the ASHA or contractual staff having undergone the process of enrolment, provided by the operator at the enrolment centre, containing the EID; and
- b. Any of the following documents, having the beneficiary's photograph, namely:-
 - i. Elector's Photo Identity Card issued by the Election Commission of India;
 - ii. Ration Card
 - iii. Indian Passport;
 - iv. Driving License issued in India;
 - v. Disability Certificate issued by notified medical authority under Rights of Persons with Disability Rules, 2017 or Unique Disability Identification (UDID) card issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (*Divyangjan*), Government of India
 - vi. Caste Certificate or domicile certificate, issued by a Gazetted officer who is an Executive Magistrate or a revenue officer of the State Government, not below the rank of Tahsildar;

- vii. Any other document as the NHM may specify
- c. NHM shall designate an officer who shall check in respect of the documents presented or the information evidencing the contents thereof under clause (3):
- i. The status of enrolment request by submitting the EID on myAADHAAR portal (<https://myaadhaar.uidai.gov.in/portal>) to confirm that the EID is valid and that the enrolment request does not stand rejected; and
- ii. The other documents, and for this purpose, may take the assistance of and share the information presented with any government entity or an authority that deals with the preparation or maintenance of the information contained in such documents.
4. NHM shall issue suitable notification/ circular to make all ASHAs and contractual staff to aware of the requirement of AADHAAR number for payment of incentive to ASHA and monthly remuneration to contractual staff.
5. NHM shall take necessary steps for biometric-based mode of authentication of AADHAAR number of ASHAs and contractual staff through its IT application.
6. Where the authentication of the AADHAAR number of a beneficiary done through any of the biometric-modes of authentication fails due to any reason, such as poor quality of biometric information, the following remedial mechanisms shall be adopted, mainly:-
- a. Facilitate the concerned ASHA or contractual staff to update the biometric details in AADHAAR.
- b. In case any particular biometric-based mode of authentication is not successful, any other mode of biometric-based authentication or one-time pin (OTP) based authentication shall, wherever feasible and admissible, be offered for the time being till the updating in AADHAAR is not completed.
- c. Whereas Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India desires 100% Biometric AADHAAR Authentication of ASHAs and Contractual Staff, hence updating and re-verification of Biometric-based mode of authentication of such individuals to be expedite.
7. In order to ensure that genuine ASHA and contractual staff are not deprived of benefit (incentive/ remuneration) due to them, National Health Mission, Assam under Health & Family Welfare Department shall follow exception handling mechanism specified in the Office Memorandum No. D-26011/04/2017-DBT dated the 19th December, 2017 of the Direct Benefit Transfer Mission, Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India (available on <https://dbtbharat.gov.in/>).

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

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