

NOTIFICATION  
Science and Technology Department,  
Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.  
Dated the 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2022.

Aadhaar  
(Targeted  
Delivery of  
Financial  
and Other  
Subsidies,  
Benefits  
and  
Services  
Act, 2016.)

No. GST/1/ITP/E-FILE/24/2022/0003/IT:- WHEREAS the use of Aadhaar as an identity document for delivery of services or benefits or subsidies simplifies the Government delivery processes, brings in transparency and efficiency and enables beneficiaries to get their entitlements directly in a convenient and seamless manner and Aadhaar obviates the need to producing multiple documents to prove one's identity;

AND WHEREAS the Department of Science and Technology (*hereinafter referred to as "the Department"*), is administering the IT/ITeS Policy (2022-27) (*hereinafter referred to as "the Scheme"*) to upskilling industry-ready talent, which is being implemented through the Office of the Director, ICT & e-Governance (*hereinafter referred to as "the Implementing Agency"*);

AND WHEREAS under the Scheme, Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) up to a maximum of INR 50,000 per course or up to 50 percent of the course fee, whichever is lower (*hereinafter referred to as the benefit*) is given to the graduate students and working professionals of the Gujarat State to expand their knowledge and skillset across emerging technologies (*hereinafter referred to as the beneficiaries*), by the Implementing Agency as per the extant Scheme guidelines;

AND WHEREAS the aforesaid Scheme involves recurring expenditure incurred from the Consolidated Fund of the State of Gujarat;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) (*hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"*), the Government of Gujarat hereby notifies the following, namely:-

1. (1) An individual eligible for receiving the benefits under the Scheme shall hereby be required to furnish proof of possession of the Aadhaar number or undergo Aadhaar authentication.
- (2) Any individual desirous of availing benefits under the Scheme, who does not possess the Aadhaar number or, has not yet enrolled for Aadhaar, shall be required to make application for Aadhaar enrolment before registering for the Scheme provided that he is entitled to obtain Aadhaar as per section 3 of the said Act, and such individuals shall visit any Aadhaar enrolment centre (list available at the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) website [www.uidai.gov.in](http://www.uidai.gov.in)) to get enrolled for Aadhaar.
- (3) As per regulation 12 of the Aadhaar (Enrolment and Update) Regulations, 2016, the Department through its Implementing Agency, is required to offer Aadhaar enrolment facilities for the beneficiaries who are not yet enrolled for

Aadhaar and in case there is no Aadhaar enrolment centre located in the respective Block or Taluka or Tehsil, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall provide Aadhaar enrolment facilities at convenient locations in co-ordination with the existing Registrars of UIDAI or by becoming a UIDAI Registrar themselves:

Provided that till the time Aadhaar is assigned to the individual, the benefits under the said Scheme shall be given to such individual, subject to the production of the following documents, namely :-

- (a) If he has enrolled, his Aadhaar Enrolment Identification slip; and
- (b) any one of the following documents, namely :-
  - (i) Bank or Post office Passbook with Photo; or
  - (ii) Permanent Account Number (PAN) Card; or
  - (iii) Passport; or
  - (iv) Ration Card; or
  - (v) Voter Identity Card; or
  - (vi) MGNREGA card; or
  - (vii) Kisan Photo passbook; or
  - (viii) Driving License issued by the Licensing Authority under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (59 of 1988); or
  - (ix) Certificate of identity having photo of such person issued by a Gazetted Officer or a Tehsildar on an official letter head; or
  - (x) any other document as specified by the Department:

Provided further that the above documents shall be verified by an officer specifically designated by the Department for that purpose.

2. In order to provide benefits to the beneficiaries under the Scheme conveniently, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall make all the required arrangements to ensure that wide publicity through the media shall be given to the beneficiaries to make them aware of the said requirements.

3. In all cases, where Aadhaar authentication fails due to poor biometrics of the beneficiaries or due to any other reason, the following remedial mechanisms shall be adopted, namely:-

- (a) in case of poor fingerprint quality, iris scan or face authentication facility shall be adopted for authentication, thereby the Department through its Implementing Agency shall make provisions for iris scanners or face authentication along with finger-print authentication for delivery of benefits in seamless manner.
- (b) in case the biometric authentication through fingerprints or iris scan or face authentication is not successful, wherever feasible and admissible

authentication by Aadhaar One Time Password or Time-based One-Time Password with limited time validity, as the case may be, shall be offered;

- (c) in all other cases where biometric or Aadhaar One Time Password or Time-based One-Time Password authentication is not possible, benefits under the Scheme may be given on the basis of physical Aadhaar letter whose authenticity can be verified through the Quick Response code printed on the Aadhaar letter and the necessary arrangement of Quick Response code reader shall be provided at the convenient locations by the Department through its Implementing Agency.

4. In addition to the above, in order to ensure that no bona fide beneficiary under the Scheme is deprived of his due benefits, the Department through its Implementing Agency shall follow the exception handling mechanism as outlined in the Office Memorandum of DBT Mission, Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India dated the 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

(N.H.Gadhavi)

Deputy Secretary to Government.

Copy to:

- Principal Secretary to H.E. the Governor of Gujarat, Gandhinagar.
- Additional Chief Secretary to Hon. Chief Minister, Gujarat.
- Personal Secretary to all Ministers/Minister of State/Parliamentary Secretaries, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- Chief Secretary, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary/Secretary of all Secretariat Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- Director, Directorate of ICT & eGovernance, Block No.2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, D-wing, Karmayogi Bhavan, Gandhinagar.
- Managing Director, Gujarat Informatics Limited, Block No.2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, D-wing, Karmayogi Bhavan, Gandhinagar.
- Accountant General, Ahmedabad/Rajkot.
- All District Collector and District Magistrates.
- Commissioner of Information, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar (with a request to issue a suitable press note).
- Manager, Government Central Press, Gandhinagar – with a request to publish this notification in Gujarat Government Gazette and to send 50 copies of the print to this Department and 100 copies to the Director, Directorate of ICT & eGovernance, Block No.2, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, D-wing, Karmayogi Bhavan, Gandhinagar.
- Section Officer, Establishment Branch, Department of Science and Technology (with a request to upload on department's website).
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