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Government of India Ministry of Finance

Department of Financial Services

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To:

- 1. The Home Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs
- 2. The Reserve Bank of India
- 3. All Public Sector Banks
- 4. All Private Banks
- 5. All Foreign Banks
- 6. All India Financial Institutions (AIFIs)
- 7. All Cooperative Banks
- 8. All Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs)
- 9. All NBFC-Micro Finance Institutions
- 10. All Regional Rural Banks
- 11. All Housing Finance Companies registered with National Housing Bank
- 12. All Credit Information Companies
- 13. All Local Area Banks
- 14. All Small Finance Banks and Payment banks

Subject: Sharing of Deactivated Aadhaar with Banks and Financial Institutions

Madam/Sir,

Considering uniqueness & integrity of the Aadhaar data, it can be used for the security purposes including verification of account holder of banks and financial Institutions.

- 2. In this regards issue of sharing of information related to deactivated Aadhaar data with banks and financial institution has been discussed with UIDAI, wherein UIDAI informed that if banks seek deactivated Aadhaar data, UIDAI will provide such data subject to the signing an MoU/Agreement by each bank, as provided for in Regulation 9(3A) of the Aadhaar (Authentication and Offline verification) Regulations, 2021.
- 3. Regulation 9(3A) of the Aadhaar (Authentication and Offline verification) Regulations, 2021, contains an enabling provision under which the Deactivated Aadhaar(s) can be shared by the UIDAI with requesting entity. The said regulation read as: -

"Where the requesting entity has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding or agreement with the Authority for the performance of authentication with update of status regarding whether an Aadhaar number previously submitted has been subsequently omitted or deactivated or re-activated, in the event of such Aadhaar number being omitted or deactivated or such a deactivated Aadhaar number being re-activated, the Authority shall send a subsequent digitally signed appropriate response, along with related technical details."

- 4. The deactivated Aadhaar data will be useful for the banks and financial institutions to undertake enhanced customer due diligence and to prevent misuse of bank accounts. With having access to the deactivated Aadhaar date, such accounts may also be deactivated/closed, if required
- 5. In light of above, all the banks and financial institutions are advised to take appropriate action in this regard.

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