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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES DEPARTMENT

AUTHORISATION FOR PERFORMANCE OF AADHAAR AUTHENTICATION – TO ESTABLISH THE IDENTITY OF TRAINEES DURING REGISTRATION, ATTENDANCE MARKING AND ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES UNDER THE SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING PROGRAMMES CONDUCTED BY ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION INSTITUTE - TAMIL NADU (EDII-TN) IN THE STATE OF TAMIL NADU, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENSURING GENUINE PARTICIPATION, ACCURATE ATTENDANCE TRACKING AND TRANSPARENT CERTIFICATION THROUGH AADHAAR BASED YES/NO OR / AND EKYC AUTHENTICATION FACILITIES

[G.O. Ms. No.18, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (A), 30th July 2026,
ஆடி 14, பராபவ, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு-2057.]

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WHEREAS, the use of Aadhaar number to establish identity enables individuals to receive subsidies, benefits and services in a convenient and seamless manner, obviates the need for multiplicity of documents to establish identity, simplifies processes and promotes transparency and efficiency;

AND WHEREAS, the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India, after consultation with the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), had allowed vide its letter No.eF.No.13(6)/2021-EG.II, dated 17.03.2026 to the Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute - Tamil Nadu (hereinafter referred to as the said Agency) for the purposes prescribed under sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (hereinafter referred to as the "said rules") that the said Agency may be allowed to perform authentication and be permitted the use of Aadhaar number during authentication for establishing identity of Aadhaar number holder and notify the same under rule 5 of the said Rules read with sub-clause (ii) of clause (b) of sub-section (4) of section 4 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (Central Act 18 of 2016);

AND WHEREAS, the Aadhaar Authentication shall be performed for establishing the identity of trainees during registration, attendance marking and issuance of certificates under the skill development training programs conducted by the said Agency in the State of Tamil Nadu, for the purpose of ensuring genuine participation, accurate attendance tracking and transparent certification, using Yes/No or / and eKYC authentication facilities (hereinafter referred to as "the said purpose") as prescribed under sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the said Rules and the performance of Aadhaar Authentication for the said purpose shall be on voluntary basis and that the said Agency shall perform the Aadhaar Authentication only to establish the identity of trainees during registration, attendance marking and issuance of certificates under the skill development training programs conducted by said Agency;

NOW, THEREFORE, in pursuance of rule 5 of the said Rules read with sub-clause (ii) of clause (b) of sub-section (4) of section 4 of the Act, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby notifies the following, namely:-

1. (1) The Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute - Tamil Nadu, as provided in the Act, shall obtain the consent of the Aadhaar number holder for the purpose of authentication herein.

(2) As per sub-rule (2) of rule 3 of the said Rules, Aadhaar Authentication is on voluntary basis and the Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute-Tamil Nadu shall inform to the Aadhaar number holder of alternate and viable means of identification and shall not deny any service to the Aadhaar number holder for refusing to, or being unable to, undergo Aadhaar Authentication, namely:-

- a) Permanent Account Number Card;
 - b) Driving License issued by the Licensing Authority under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988);
 - c) Passport;
 - d) Voter Identity Card; and
 - e) Family Card.
2. This Notification shall come into force with effect on and from the date of its publication in the *Tamil Nadu Government Gazette*.

PRADEEP YADAV,
Additional Chief Secretary to Government.