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[G.O. Ms No. 9, Information Technology and Digital Services (E1), 11th March 2026,
மாசி 27, விசுவாவசு, திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு-2057.]

No. II(1)/ITDS/6/2026.—

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 23.09.2025 to the Tamil Nadu e-Governance Agency (herein referred to as the said Agency) functioning under Information Technology and Digital Services Department (herein referred to as the said Department, Government of Tamil Nadu (herein referred to as the said Government), for the purposes prescribed under sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 that said Government / Department / 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 2026);

AND WHEREAS, the Aadhaar Authentication shall be performed for establishing the identity of the users accessing State Family Database (SFDB) platform for the purpose of reviewing availed schemes and identifying eligibility for the schemes in the State of Tamil Nadu, using Yes/No or/and eKYC authentication facilities as prescribed under sub-rule (1) of rule 3 of the said Rules and the performance of Aadhaar Authentication for the purpose shall be on voluntary basis. and that the said Government / Department / Agency shall perform the Aadhaar Authentication only for users accessing State Family Database;

NOW, THEREFORE, in pursuance of rule 5 of the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 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), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby notifies the following, namely:—

1. The Ministry / Department / Agency, 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, Government / Department/Agency 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) Bank or Post Office Passbook with Photo;
 - (b) Permanent Account Number (PAN) Card;
 - (c) Passport;
 - (d) Ration Card;
 - (e) Voter Identity Card; and
 - (f) Driving Licence issued by the Licensing Authority under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988).
2. This Notification shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the *Tamil Nadu Government Gazette*.

BRAJENDRA NAVNIT,
Principal Secretary to Government.