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Government of India

Ministry of Rural Development (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA Division)

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To:

1. The Principal Secretary / Secretary in charge of MGNREGA

All State/UT Governments and UT Administrations

2. The Chairman / Managing Director
of all Public Sector Banks and Private Sector Banks as per attached list

3. The Convener, SLBC All States/UTs

Sub: MGNREGS-camps for seeding of Aadhaar in the accounts of MGNREGS workersfor Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT)—regarding

Sir/Madam,

In terms of the amendments made to the Prevention of Money-laundering (Maintenance of Records) Rules, 2005, *vide* Government of India, Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue), notification no. G.S.R. 538(E), dated 1.6.2017, in case the accountholders of accounts existing prior to the date of notification fail to submit to the bank their Aadhaar number by 31.12.2017, their accounts shall cease to be operational till the time the Aadhaar number is submitted by the accountholder.

- 2. Therefore, for continued DBT to MGNREGS workers whose accounts are not seeded with Aadhaar number, it is essential that their accounts be seeded with their Aadhaar number, with their consent, latest by 31.12.2017. As per data available with MoRD, the number of such active MGNREGS workers is over 5 crore. To enable such a large number of workers to seed Aadhaar numbers in their accounts, a round of camps is planned, beginning from 25.7.2017, till 10.9.2017.
- 3. In this connection, it may also be noted that in the video-conference chaired by Secretary (Coordination & PG), Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India with State Chief Secretaries on 21st& 22nd June 2017, regarding implementation of DBT in States, State Governments have been requested to expedite the process of seeding of Aadhaar numbers in beneficiary bank accounts.
- 4. In carrying out this exercise, the following may be taken note of:
 - (a) MGNREGS workers may be mobilised to special camps at the Gram Panchayat or Block level. During the camps, necessary information regarding seeding Aadhaar number in the bank account may be provided and consent of the workers for seeding obtained. The acknowledgement of receipt of consent may also be ensured.