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Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 09th January, 2017

To

The Principal Secretary/ Secretary / Commissioner (In Charge of MGNREGA) / SLBC Conveners

Sub: Need for expediting Aadhaar seeding into bank accounts of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA workers by banks. -reg.

Sir/ Madam,

The exercise of Aadhaar seeding into the accounts of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA workers by the banks and putting the same on the NPCI mapper has been going on from some time. It has shown considerable progress and nationally 3.81 crore workers have been converted into Aadhaar based payments. This achievement is laudable. Having said this, it is pertinent to mention here that Aadhaar numbers have been seeded into MGNREGA MIS (NREGASoft) in respect of 10.8% crore active workers. Since there is considerable gap between the Aadhaar numbers seeded in MIS and ABP conversion of workers accounts in banks so far, there is a need to expedite the process of ABP conversion by banks.

- 2. As you know, in pursuance of discussions between Secretary, DFS and Secretary, RD, Aadhaar camps have been held at the Block/Gram Panchayat level wherein the Rural Development Department's functionaries and the bank functionaries have actively participated. The consent forms duly filled in were handed over to the banks' branches collected in the Aadhaar camps.
- 3. The matter of ABP conversion by banks, including the issue of non-reconciliation of number of consent forms handed over (as reported by States and by banks in respect of some states) and other related issues should be extensively discussed in meeting specifically convened for the purpose by Principal Secretary/Secretary,Rural Development Department. It is desirable to

have participation in this meeting from all relevant functionaries of Rural Development Department, SLBC Conveners and the State Chiefs of all the banks. The decisions taken in the meeting may also be followed up.

4. We ensure you of fullest support in expediting the process of ABP conversion of MGNREGA workers.

(Amit Agarwal)

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