

‘Now we can enjoy privacy as a right’

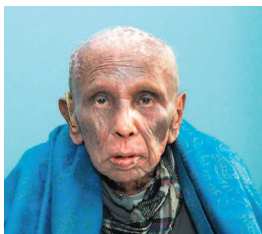
Petitioner welcomes SC verdict

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*The original petitioner in the right to privacy case is a happy man after Thursday's verdict from the Supreme Court. In 2012, Justice (retd) K.S. Puttaswamy had approached the Supreme Court as petitioner in a case which has seen several landmark judgments. **The Hindu** spoke to Justice (retd) Puttaswamy following the verdict.*

How will the judgment of the Supreme Court change the life of an individual citizen?

■ So far, the right to privacy has been denied and people had not experienced it. The concept of privacy of an



facto (by that very fact or act) in-validated by the right to privacy being upheld by the Supreme Court. In my view, this is not the correct proposition. Aadhaar is a different topic but it will definitely be impacted by the judgment, but how [it] is too early to say. The Government says that Aadhaar Act is necessary for several purposes, including security. There must be something in