GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2634

TO BE ANSWERED ON: 24.03.2017

DATA BREACH OF UIDAI

2634. SHRIMATI WANSUK SYIEM:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an instance of data breach has raised privacy concerns and questions over the security of biometric data in the possession of UIDAI;
- (b) whether UIDAI has filed a police complaint against a prominent bank and other private companies, alleging unauthorised authentication and impersonation by illegally storing Aadhaar biometrics, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the timing of this incident gains significance when the Apex Court is poised to debate the concerns of privacy surrounding Aadhaar?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY)

- (a): No instance of data breach has occurred in UIDAI till date.
- (b): UIDAI has filed a police complaint with Crime Branch, Delhi Police in the matter. The police investigation is in progress.
- (c): It is not possible to comment on the bearing of any incidence as the matter is sub-judice.
