GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2739

TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2019

LINKING OF VOTERS WITH AADHAAR CARD

2739. SHRIMATI SAMPATIYA UIKEY: SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA: CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:

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

- (a) whether Government is considering to connect all the voters of the country with Aadhaar Card so that a voter list for various elections can be prepared;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government would consider to encourage voters to cast their votes by their thumb impression instead of a voter slip in order to make it paperless to ensure that bogus voting is prevented; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE)

- (a) and (b): Election Commission of India (ECI) has sent a proposal to Ministry of Law and Justice, Legislative Department for linking of Aadhaar number with the electoral roll for preparation of error free electoral roll.
- (c) and (d): No proposal regarding casting of votes through thumb impression instead of voter slip, has been sent by ECI. However, voter slip is furnished to electors for their information and facilitation. Such voter slip is not accepted for the purpose of identification in polling station as stand-alone identity document. The electors are required to carry voter ID or one of the alternative photo identity documents specified by the Commission for voting.
