

Issues with Aadhaar

What is the issue?

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India is going through a curious phase of development and there are issues with Aadhaar.

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What is the real time need for Aadhaar?

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- To avoid leakages and curb black money. $\space{1mm}$
- Aadhaar based Direct Benefit Transfer n
- Jan Dhan Yojana, bank account for all. n
- Faster processing of passport applications. \slashn
- To get the benefits of Digi locker, for safer digital storage of documents. $\space{\space{1.5}n}$

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What are the real-time problems with Aadhaar?

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• Separate identities for various purposes exist already.

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- E.g Identity as an NREGA worker, Identity in the Public Distribution System, Passport as the identity of citizenship. \n
- Aadhaar creates the problem of multiple identity.

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- It points to techno-utopianism such that it can solve all problems. $\slash n$
- Enrolment in Aadhaar is most confusing for uneducated and for rural population. $\space{1.5mm}\space{1.5mm$
- Aadhaar Officials are nor responsive or accountable.
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- There are high possibilities of data theft and privacy concerns with Aadhaar.

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How government is addressing the issues?

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- Aadhaar should be considered as the only document for all activities involving financial process.
- Many initiatives were taken to reduce the difficulties in issuance of Aadhaar card.

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- The enrolment and correction of Aadhaar is outsourced. $\space{\space{1.5}$
- The users are provided with option of locking their data, which are in the verge of misuse.
- Experienced and high skilled employees are appointed in the Aadhaar enrolment process.

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Source: Business standard

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