

## DRAFT NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the \_\_\_ April, 2023

**G.S.R. (E).**—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 53 read with clause (aa) of sub-section (2) of section 53 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016), the Central Government, hereby makes the following rules, namely:—

1. (1) These rules may be called the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Amendment Rules, 2023.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Aadhaar Authentication for Good Governance (Social Welfare, Innovation, Knowledge) Rules, 2020 (hereinafter referred to as the principal rules), in rule 3, in sub-rule (1), after clause (a), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

“(aa) promoting ease of living of residents and enabling better access to services for them;”

3. In rule 4 of the principal rules, the existing rule shall be renumbered as sub-rule (1) thereof, and—

(a) in sub-rule (1) so renumbered, for the words “Government of India or the State Government”, the words “Central Government or a State Government” shall be substituted; and

(b) after sub-rule (1) so renumbered, the following sub-rules and *Explanation* shall be inserted, namely:—

“(2) Any entity other than the Ministry or Department referred to in sub-rule (1), which is desirous of utilising Aadhaar authentication, shall prepare a proposal with justification in regard to the authentication sought being for a purpose specified in rule 3 and in the interest of State, and submit the same to the concerned Ministry or Department of the appropriate Government.

(3) If the Ministry or Department referred to in sub-rule (2) is of the opinion that the proposal submitted thereunder fulfils a purpose specified in rule 3 and is in the interest of State, it shall forward the proposal, along with its recommendations, to the Central Government, for making a reference to the Authority.

*Explanation.*—In this rule, “concerned Ministry or Department of the appropriate Government” means such Ministry or Department of the appropriate Government in which business related to that purpose is transacted under the rules of business made under article 77 or 166 of the Constitution, as the case may be.”.

**Note.**—The principal rules were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), *vide* notification number G.S.R. 490(E), dated the 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2020.