No. 18011/01/2015-Credit II (pt)
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture
Department of Agriculture & Cooperation

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi
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Subject: Implementation of Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) in the Government Sponsored Crop Insurance Schemes – Gazette Notification under provisions of Section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016) - regarding

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of the Extraordinary e-gazette notification No. 334 dated 8th February, 2017 on the above mentioned subject and to say that in pursuance of the provisions of Section 7 of the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016), Government of India has notified that farmers availing crop insurance under any of the Crop Insurance Schemes administered/implemented by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmer Welfare from Khairf 2017 are hereby required to undergo Aadhaar authentication or furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar.

Accordingly, all stakeholders including Rural Financial Institutions may kindly issues necessary instructions for compliance of aforesaid notification strictly from ensuing Khairf 2017 season starting from 1st April, 2017. Since the farmers availing Seasonal Agricultural Operational (SAO) loans/Kisan Credit Card (KCC) from the Financial Institutions including Cooperatives for the notified crop(s) in notified areas are compulsorily covered under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme (RWBCIS) and Crop Insurance Section of Pilot Unified Package Insurance Scheme (UPIS), such farmers may be kindly persuaded to undergo Aadhaar authentication or furnish proof of possession of Aadhaar at the time of sanction/renewal/disbursement/inspection of aforesaid loan or on visiting of such farmers at concerned branches of Rural Financial Institutions itself.

All concerned Stakeholders are requested to made wide publicity and awareness amongst farmers in this regards and also make suitable coordination with Registrar of UIDAI or may provide necessary facilities for Aadhaar enrolment of such farmers in a time bound manners.

Encl: as above.

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