THE UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION AUTHORITY OF INDIA (TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE OF CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS) RULES, 2016[1]

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In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 53 read with sub-section (4) of section 14 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. Short title and commencement.—(1) These rules may be called the Unique Identification Authority of India (Terms and Conditions of Service of Chairperson and Members) Rules, 2016.

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

2. Definitions.—(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) "Act" means the Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016 (18 of 2016);

(b) "Authority" means the Unique Identification Authority of India established under sub-section (1) of section 11 of the Act;

(c) "full-time Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Authority appointed on full time basis under section 12 of the Act;

(d) "Member" means the part-time Member of the Authority appointed under section 12 of the Act;

(e) "part-time Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Authority appointed on part-time basis under section 12 of the Act;

(2) Words and expressions used herein but not defined, and defined in the Act, shall have the same meanings assigned to them in the Act.

3. Search-cum-Selection Committee for appointment of Chairperson and Members.— (1) The Chairperson of the Authority and every part-time Member thereof shall be appointed by the Central Government on the recommendation of a Search-cum-Selection Committee consisting of —

(a) Cabinet Secretary	— Chairman *ex officio*;
(b) Secretary, Department of Personnel and Training	— Member *ex officio*;
(c) Finance Secretary, Ministry of Finance	— Member *ex officio*;
(d) Secretary, Department of Electronics and Information Technology	— Member *ex officio*;
(e) two experts from the relevant field to be nominated by the Minister in-charge of the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.	

[1]Published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part III, Section 4, *vide* Notification No. G.S.R. 680(E), dated 12th July, 2016.

(2) The Search-cum-Selection Committee may regulate its own procedure for the purpose of sub-rule (1).

4. Declaration of financial or other interest.—The Chairperson and every Member shall, on or before their appointment as such, declare by an affidavit the particulars of previous employment and shareholding and financial and other interest in any entity.

5. Pay.—(1) The full time Chairperson shall be entitled to a monthly salary and to such allowances as are applicable to a Secretary to the Government of India.

(2) The full time Chairperson shall not be entitled to any sitting fee for attending the meeting of the Authority.

(3) The part-time Chairperson and Members shall be entitled to receive an allowance of twenty-five thousand rupees and twenty thousand rupees respectively, for attending a meeting of the Authority.

6. Conveyance allowance.— The part-time Chairperson and a Member shall be entitled to the actual expenses on air-conditioned taxi charges incurred by him for attending a meeting of the Authority and the reimbursement shall be claimed on self-certification basis, in case conveyance has not been provided by the Authority.

7. Travelling allowance.—(1) The Chairperson, while on tour or for the journey undertaken to join the Authority or on the expiry of his term with the Authority while proceeding to his home town, shall be entitled to the travelling allowance, daily allowance, transportation of personal effects and such other benefits at the same rate as are applicable to a Secretary to the Government of India.

(2) In case the part-time Member is called upon to go out of the ordinary place of his residence for discharging his duties as such Member, he shall be entitled to travelling allowance, daily allowance and accommodation at the same rate as are applicable to a Secretary to the Government of India.

8. Leave travel concession.—The full-time Chairperson shall be entitled to leave travel concession at the same rate as are applicable to a Secretary to the Government of India.

9. Leave and leave encashment.—(1) The full time Chairperson shall be entitled to thirty days of earned leave for every year of service.

(2) The payment of leave salary during leave shall be governed by rule 40 of the Central Civil Services (Leave) Rules, 1972.

(3) The full-time Chairperson shall be entitled to encashment of fifty per-cent. of earned leave standing to their credit at any time, subject to the condition that the encashment shall be permitted only once during any calendar year for a maximum of twelve days in a calendar year.

(4) The President of India shall be the competent authority to sanction leave to the full-time Chairperson.

10. Sumptuary allowance.—The Chairperson shall not be entitled to sumptuary allowance.

11. Gratuity and pension.—(1) The Chairperson shall not be entitled to gratuity.

(2) The full-time Chairperson shall be eligible to join the National Pension System applicable to the Central Government employees.

12. Telephone facility.—The full time Chairperson shall be entitled for telephone facility as are admissible to a Secretary to the Government of India.

13. Medical facility.—The full-time Chairperson shall be entitled, while in the service of the Authority, to medical treatment and facilities as provided in the Central Government Health Scheme to the Central Government employees.

14. Oath of office and secrecy.—Every person appointed to be the Chairperson and every Member shall, before entering upon his office, make and subscribe to an oath of office and of secrecy before the Minister in-charge of the Department of Electronics and Information Technology in Form I and Form II, respectively, as specified in the Schedule annexed to these rules.

15. Residuary provisions.—Any matter relating to the terms and conditions of service of the Chairperson and Members with respect to which no express provision has been made in these rules, shall be referred by the Authority to the Central Government for its decision.

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Schedule

Form I

(See rule 3)

Form of oath of office for Chairperson/Members of the Unique Identification Authority of India

I,_____, having been appointed as Chairperson / Member of the Unique Identification Authority of India do solemnly affirm / swear in the name of God that I will faithfully and conscientiously discharge my duties as Chairperson / Member to the best of my ability, knowledge and judgment, without fear or favour, affection or ill-will.

(Name of the Chairperson/ Member)

Form II

(See rule 3)

Form of oath of secrecy for Chairperson/Members of the Unique Identification Authority of India

I,_____, having been appointed as Chairperson / Member of the Unique Identification Authority of India do solemnly affirm / swear in the name of God that I will not directly or indirectly communicate or reveal to any person or persons any matter which shall be brought under my consideration or shall become known to me as Chairperson / Member of the said Authority expect as may be required for the due discharge of my duties as Chairperson/Member.

(Name of the Chairperson/ Member)