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**News:** ‘Give Aadhaar details of 12 Bangladeshi nationals’

- The High Court of Karnataka has directed the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) to furnish information and documents submitted for securing Aadhaar by 12 Bangladesh nationals, some of whom are already convicted in a gang rape case.

## **Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)**

- The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) is a **statutory authority established on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016** by the Government of India under the jurisdiction of the **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology**, following the provisions of the **Aadhaar Act of 2016**.
- The UIDAI is mandated to assign a **12-digit unique identification (UID) number (Aadhaar) to all the residents of India**.
- Against the UIDAI orders, **there will be provision to file appeal before TDSAT (Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal), and against the orders of TDSAT an appeal can be made in the SC**.

- Section 33 mandates that **confidential information / authentication documents, which are prohibited from being revealed, can be disclosed in certain cases only by an order of the court not inferior to a judge of the High Court.**

## **Bal Aadhaar / Blue Aadhaar**

- Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has rolled out 'Bal Aadhaar', meant for **kids under 5 years of age**. It is also known as "**Blue Aadhaar**".
- Bal Aadhaar literally means **Kid's Aadhaar**.
- It will have **blue color to differentiate it with regular Aadhaar**.
- It will be linked **with one of the parent's Aadhaar**.
- Bal Aadhaar will have **no biometric identification**, like Iris scan or fingerprint scans, as their parents will be accompanying their ward when such identification is required.
- **The first mandatory biometric update is required at the age of five to include a child's biometric information like fingerprints and iris scans.**
- The **second mandatory biometric update is required at the age of 15**.
- Aadhaar is available to Non Indian citizens also, provided that they have been residing in India for a period not less than six months prior to the application.

**News:** Teacher with disabilities wins discrimination case in S

- A teacher, living with disabilities, who fought the Rajasthan government's decision to demote him in return for transferring him to his home town, won his case in the Supreme Court, which declared the marginalization of the disabled as a human rights issue.
- The court's attention was drawn to a circular issued by the **State government in 2000 enabling employees with disabilities to be posted at a convenient place near their family, relatives and friends.**

**News:** Village head held for beating Dalit youth with slippers in U.P

- A village head was arrested on Saturday for allegedly beating a Dalit youth with slippers at Tajpur village in Uttar Pradesh's Muzaffarnagar district after a video of the incident went viral on social media.
- The accused have been **booked under Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe (Prevention of Atrocities) Act.**

# **The Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 2018**

- The Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 2018 is the **most recent amendment to The Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Bill, 1989**.
- SC/ST Amendment Act 2018 **excludes the provision of anticipatory bail** for a person who has been accused of atrocities against SC and STs.
- Under the act, the **investigating officer does not require the approval of any authority to arrest the person** accused of such crimes.
- Further, the act also **does not mandate a preliminary enquiry before registration of a First Information Report (FIR)** against the person accused under the Act.