

Changes made on the portal in relation to the Aadhaar Authentication process

Following changes were implemented on the portal in respect of Aadhaar authentication:

- In case of Aadhaar authentication for new registration applications, the validity period for Aadhaar verification would be 15 days from the date of submission of part B i.e. generation of ARN.
- First 8 digits of Aadhaar number would be partially masked or completely masked in case of VID on the E-KYC page, post Aadhaar authentication being successful.
- The Aadhaar Authentication link is sent on e-mail id and SMS simultaneously. In cases where the SMS link and email link are opened together and taxpayer performed Aadhaar authentication (failed or success) using one link and tried to do the same again through other link, he was getting an error message “**Aadhaar verification Completed**”. This error message has been replaced with “**You have already taken action using the link**”.
- In case of a system error during Aadhaar verification for existing taxpayers, in **My Profile** page the status would be shown as “**Error in Aadhaar Authentication**” Further, an information message would be shown to taxpayer for status as “There was error at time of Aadhaar Authentication from UIDAI/GSTN. Kindly try again with same link shared earlier.”