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Title: Aadhar as a hurdle: On authentication failures and welfare delivery

The article at hand talks about the raging issues with the linking of subsidy disbursement with Aadhar card as the author talks about the various aspects related to the issue.

Recently, the Supreme Court of India took the allegations of a petitioner on the usage of Aadhar for subsidy disbursement seriously and decided to act on it. In this regard, the author believes the Supreme court was right in its analysis.

While the court has backed Aadhar previously, the usage of Aadhar for welfare distribution schemes has not been without its flaws. And despite governments changing the status quo, identity verification via Aadhar has, time and again, failed to deliver welfare schemes to the poor.

While biometric authentication implemented at such a large scale is bound to fail, its success rate has always been under scrutiny. Hence, the governments need to address the situation for the benefit of those who genuinely need all the help without worrying about the issues of fraud.

Words to look out for

Disbursal:

- Synonyms:** expense, outlay, spending
- Antonyms:** earn, fund, achieve
- Word usage:** Disbursal schemes are the ones that kept the states afloat during the pandemic.

Exemption:

- **Synonyms:** exception, exclusion, omission
- **Antonyms:** inclusion, presence, addition
- **Word usage:** Rohit's exemption from the team was due to personal reasons.

Subsidy:

- **Synonyms:** funding, aid, support
- **Antonyms:** constraint, inhibition, obstruction
- **Word usage:** The subsidies are not state-sponsored in Rajasthan.

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