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'Aadhaar-ration link saves ₹17,000 cr'

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Linking ration cards with Aadhaar number has helped the Centre unearth 2.62 crore bogus ration cards and plug ₹17,000 crore in leakages annually, according to Union Minister for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution Ram Vilas Paswan. This ₹17,000-crore savings will now be directed at the real beneficiaries, he said after a meeting with Food Corporation of India officials here on Monday. OUR BUREAU