TECHNOLOGIES AS THE BASIS (AADHAR) FOR GOVERNANCE

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Abstract

What role do technologies play in acts of governance in a liberal democracy? Where does the aadhar scheme fit in the rationality of governance? Does it mark a turning point in the state-citizen relationship? How does one understand these newer technologies and what do they mean from a social standpoint?

About the Speaker

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