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Overview:

The PAN 2.0 Project is an e-Governance initiative by the Income Tax Department aimed at transforming taxpayer registration services for a seamless, technology-driven experience. It focuses on re-engineering the processes for PAN (Permanent Account Number) and TAN (Tax Deduction and Collection Account Number) services to enhance efficiency and user experience.

Key Features:

1. Upgraded Ecosystem:

• Builds upon the current PAN/TAN 1.0 system by consolidating core and non-core activities, including PAN validation services.

2. Enhanced Benefits:

- Faster Services: Quick and efficient delivery of services.
- Data Accuracy: Ensures a single source of truth and consistent data.
- **Eco-Friendly:** Promotes paperless processes and cost efficiency.
- Secure Infrastructure: Optimizes security for better agility and reliability.

3. Alignment with Digital India:

• Enables PAN as a Common Identifier for digital systems across specified government agencies, supporting the vision of Digital India.

About Permanent Account Number (PAN):

• What is PAN?

A **10-character alphanumeric identifier** issued by the Income Tax Department. It can be applied for or allocated automatically by the department.

• Purpose:

PAN links all financial and tax-related activities of an individual or entity, including:

- Tax payments
- o TDS/TCS credits
- $\circ \ \ \text{Filing of income tax returns}$
- Specific high-value transactions
- Official communications

The PAN 2.0 Project aims to modernize and simplify taxpayer services, ensuring a secure, efficient, and eco-friendly system while promoting the wider use of PAN as a central digital identifier.

