

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO07.09.2011
ANSWERED ON
FUNDS GRANTED FOR UPGRADING NRC IN ASSAM .

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Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the details of the present status, progress made as well as the steps taken by Government to upgrade the National Register of Citizens (NRC) in Assam, alongwith the total funds granted for the same;
- (b) whether Government has proposed to introduce Unique Identification Number (UIN) in the State of Assam and other North Eastern States in parallel with NRC update; and
- (c) if so, the progress made so far in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (c):A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 483 FOR 07.09.2011

(a):Clause 5 of the Assam Accord dated 15th August 1985 mainly deals with the foreigners issue including detection of foreigners in Assam. Pursuant to the above, it was decided to take up a project on a pilot basis for updation of the National Register of Citizens (NRC) 1951 in one Revenue Circle each of Barpeta and Kamrup Districts in the State of Assam. However, due to law and order problems in Barpeta, the work of updating the NRC was stopped. The State Government constituted a Cabinet Sub-Committee to look into the issues and to give recommendations on the guidelines/procedure to be followed for updation work. The Cabinet Sub-Committee is yet to submit its report. An amount of Rs.5.02 crore was released to the Government of Assam during the period 2005-06 to 2008-09 for this purpose.

(b) to (c):Unique Identification Number is a separate project. Government of India has decided to create a National Population Register (NPR) for the whole country. All usual residents who are included in the NPR would be issued a Resident Identity Card. The Unique Identification Number for each resident would be incorporated in the Resident Identity Card issued to that person.