

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 918  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07-02-2018**

**Minority Status to Castes and Communities**

918. SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of proposals from various castes and communities lying pending with the Government to accord minority status;
- (b) the names of such castes and communities and the time since which their proposals/demands are lying pending with the Government; and
- (c) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken on such proposals/demands?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS  
(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)**

- (a) to (c) Several proposals/requests from various castes and communities requesting for according minority status are received in this Ministry from time to time and are examined, considered and decisions taken.

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