

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1059**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24th JULY, 2018/SHRAVANA 2, 1940 (SAKA)

PENDING APPLICATIONS FOR INDIAN CITIZENSHIP

1059. SHRI KALYAN BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of pending applications for Indian Citizenship by people from different countries living in India, country and religion-wise;

(b) the number of persons who came to India for Indian Citizenship since 1990; and

(c) the criteria for conferring Indian Citizenship to such persons?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)**

(a) As per online data, total 4044 applications are under process at various levels for grant of Indian Citizenship. Out of which, 1085 applications are under process in the Ministry of Home Affairs and 2959 are with various State Governments/Union Territories. The country-wise break-up of these 4044 pending applications is at Annexure. However, religion-wise data is not maintained centrally.

(b) Such data is not maintained centrally.

(c) Indian Citizenship is granted as per the provisions of Citizenship Act, 1955 and rules made thereunder to foreign nationals who make an application for Indian Citizenship in prescribed form.

Sno.	Country	Pending cases(ALL)	Pending Cases (In MHA)	Pending (In States/UTs)
1	Afghanistan	687	97	590
2	Australia	13	4	9
3	Austria	1	0	1
4	Bangladesh	84	53	31
5	Belarus	2	2	0
6	Belgium	5	2	3
7	Belize	1	1	0
8	Bhutan	1	0	1
9	Brazil	4	3	1
10	Canada	22	13	9
11	China	6	1	5
12	Columbia	1	0	1
13	Cuba	1	0	1
14	Czech Republic	1	0	1
15	Eritrea	1	1	0
16	Fiji	1	0	1
17	Finland	2	1	1
18	France	5	0	5
19	Germany	9	5	4
20	Guyana	1	0	1
21	India	2	2	0
22	Indonesia	6	3	3
23	Iran	34	20	14
24	iraq	1	1	0
25	Ireland	2	0	2
26	Israel	1	0	1
27	Italy	5	2	3
28	Jamaica	1	0	1
29	Kazakhstan	3	0	3
30	Kenya	31	18	13
31	Lebanon	1	1	0
32	Malagasy (Madagascar)	1	1	0
33	Malaysia	13	8	5
34	Maldives	2		2
35	Mauritius	5	2	3

36	Mexico	1	1	0
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37	Mozambique	1	1	0
38	Nepal	48	31	17
39	New Zealand	2	1	1
40	Nigeria	6	2	4
41	Pakistan	2508	565	1943
42	Panama	2	2	0
43	Peru	1		1
44	Philippines	7	4	3
45	Poland	1	1	0
46	Portugal	11	8	3
47	Romania	2	2	0
48	Russia	5	4	1
49	Saudi Arabia	1	1	0
50	Singapore	27	11	16
51	South Africa	1	1	0
52	South Korea	2	1	1
53	Spain	1	1	0
54	Sri Lanka	71	32	39
55	St. Christopher and Nevis	1	1	0
56	Stateless	195	61	134
57	Switzerland	4	3	1
58	Syria	2	0	2
59	Tajikistan	1	1	0
60	Tanzania	8	2	6
61	Thailand	11	9	2
62	Trinidad and Tobago	2	2	0
63	Ukraine	7	3	4
64	United Arab Emirates	1	1	0
65	United Kingdom	42	21	21
66	USA	101	63	38
67	Uzbekistan	2	2	0
68	Venezuela	1	1	0
69	Vietnam	2	0	2
70	Yemen	7	3	4
71	Zimbabwe	3	2	1
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