

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1138**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2022/ SRAVANA 22, 1944  
(SAKA)**

**DELAY IN CENSUS 2021**

**1138. SHRIMATI SANGEETA AZAD:**

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

**(a) the reasons for which the Government has been repeatedly postponing and delaying the Census of India 2021; and**

**(b) the time by which the Government is likely to complete the census?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)**

**(a) & (b): The intent of the Government for conducting Census 2021 was notified in Gazette of India on 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. Due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic, the Census 2021 and the related field activities have been postponed until further orders.**

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