

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2189  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2022**

**SURVEY ON SENIOR CITIZENS**

**†2189. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:**

**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to find out the number of senior citizens in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether many senior citizens in the country have to lead a very insecure life, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to issue Senior Citizen Scheme Card to the elders so that they can live secure and dignified life; and
- (d) if so, the details of the steps taken for implementation of such scheme?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)**

(a) & (b): As per Census, 2011 the population of senior citizens in the country is 10.38 crore. Senior Citizens being a vulnerable group face challenges/ insecurities. As per National Crime Records Bureau Report 2021, there were a total of 26,110 crimes recorded against the senior citizens in 2021. Law and Order and Police being subject of the states, necessary action is taken by these agencies in this regard.

(c) & (d): No Senior Citizen Scheme Card is issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.

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