

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 387**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH FEBRUARY, 2020/ MAGHA 15, 1941 (SAKA)

UPDATION OF NPR

387. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made it mandatory to share details of Aadhaar, passport number, voter ID and driving licence and the same are to be compulsorily collected by the enumerators of the National Population Register (NPR) updation in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the collection of such documents;

(c) whether the Government is seized of the fact that such demands made during the enumeration exercise conducted in connection with the updation of NPR is contravening the position clarified by the Government which guarantees the privacy of the citizens;

(d) if so, the action proposed to be taken in this regard;

(e) whether the Government has received representations and memoranda from various sections of the society to refrain from collecting sensitive documents; and

(f) if so, the response of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

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

(a): The respondent has to provide the information for National Population Register (NPR) updation true to the best of his knowledge and belief. Aadhaar number is collected voluntarily.

(b) to (d): Population Register is a register containing details of persons usually residing in a village or rural area or town or ward or demarcated area within a ward in a town or urban area. NPR was first prepared in 2010 and updated in 2015. In pursuance of Sub-rule (4) of Rule 3 of the Citizenship (Registration of Citizens and Issue of National Identity Cards) Rules, 2003, framed under the Citizenship Act,1955, Central Government decided to prepare and update the population register during April to September, 2020 throughout the country except Assam for collection of information relating to all persons usually residing in village or town.

(e) & (f): No document is to be collected during the updation of NPR.
