

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3687**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 12TH AUGUST, 2025/SRAVANA 21, 1947 (SAKA)

BIRTH CERTIFICATES

3687. SHRI SUDAMA PRASAD

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of categories of valid documents that are required for people to prove their citizenship in India;**
- (b) the total number of birth certificates issued nationwide during the last 25 years, State-wise; and**
- (c) whether the Government received reports about low coverage of issuing of birth and death certificates vis-à-vis number of births and deaths by State Government, if so, the list of top 10 States with necessary data provided?**

ANSWER

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

(a): The citizenship of India is governed under the provisions of the Citizenship Act, 1955 and rules made thereunder. It can be acquired by birth (Section 3), by descent (Section 4), by registration (Section 5), by naturalization (Section 6) or by incorporation of territory (Section 7) of the Citizenship Act, 1955. The eligibility criteria for acquisition and determination of citizenship is as per the provisions of the Citizenship Act, 1955 and rules made thereunder.

(b) & (c): The Registration of births and deaths in the country is done under the provisions of a central Act namely Registration of Births and Deaths (RBD) Act, 1969. Based on the annual report on registered births and deaths received from the CRBD of the respective States /Union Territories, the Office of the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India brings out an annual national report titled 'Vital Statistics of India based on the Civil Registration System (CRS)'. State-wise and nationwide total number of registered births during last 25 years is in Annexure I.

Registered births 1998-2022

SL.	India/ State/ Union	Number of registered births																								
No.	Territory	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
	India	11893946	12287748	12946910	12993577	15645632	15290261	15777612	16394625	18121295	19469756	19993799	21292574	21430434	21836920	21951519	22482951	23001523	23136145	22200991	22104418	23269383	24820886	24222444	24201614	25439164
	States																									
1	Andhra Pradesh	670891	638974	933717	881256	986599	913607	952629	933498	1124280	1184555	1179114	1164942	1192721	1186895	1122879	722843	848883	851499	814754	818165	760716	754939	714017	737189	752403
2	Arunachal Pradesh	20698	19321	20398	24510	33011	27416	22920	19974	29437	26940	33091	30828	37110	32513	41619	42261	43246	62058	47963	95539	77249	46837	39493	43644	48711
3	Assam	205812	220362	275183	323261	369044	421511	474737	505966	528559	544321	554997	580027	732788	600656	612576	688458	723482	1005681	734454	708744	767856	762318	751694	663173	707036
4	Bihar	N.A.	N.A.	119100	102052	119728	156625	307181	460746	553998	713433	858936	1223561	1268550	1626655	2058637	1596494	1694565	1758356	1697762	2052273	2241089	2809167	3044931	3252977	3071603
5	Chhattisgarh	383334	398327	343929	306442	335080	322143	333004	384815	391804	381247	285886	301153	315082	334288	448675	536256	845337	655847	763878	694030	570056	557723	515618	476572	560641
6	Goa	22716	22501	23191	26087	26186	24757	24869	24631	22971	22396	22577	21495	21168	21995	22339	21667	21415	21727	21610	20472	20436	19736	18316	15396	17326
7	Gujarat	1131701	1071685	1115204	1098252	1088225	1097119	1236195	1154608	1254293	1261262	1315978	1345861	1327404	1280441	1276330	1266047	1205140	1254838	1252090	1166848	1168516	1173759	1103241	1021362	1126522
8	Haryana	401529	413182	426161	417006	426194	434852	470531	471968	508970	511973	536521	538910	544620	563557	564280	581213	584739	569340	570747	535198	541405	529992	591914	549829	544109
9	Himachal Pradesh	115068	120656	125150	133600	131157	133062	137473	134664	140329	133157	135575	137328	134719	129263	127611	121232	106818	115418	101595	101238	97031	94760	90772	92928	90988
10	Jharkhand	102477	124373	133646	134100	145420	179664	215442	255325	285562	349079	409037	406657	443182	479632	489953	620870	642286	691700	698026	699945	669766	715920	648453	554822	702144
11	Karnataka	1042256	997649	1009716	1017224	973653	1001749	988520	1007868	1046531	1046424	1082450	1076383	1071518	1108562	1124490	1068671	1087530	1053248	1107258	1099019	1028934	1047877	988143	899065	1037182
12	Kerala	591508	596948	593724	579063	572847	549719	558933	555122	556326	545154	535738	544348	546964	559828	544388	536352	534458	516013	496292	503597	488174	480113	446891	419767	439742
13	Madhya Pradesh	746645	824823	759117	715854	732356	789985	981723	1027916	1266936	1412344	1632402	1618379	1605729	1688046	1710508	1655691	1613269	1519694	1465779	1468191	1486794	1602043	1653629	1577555	1789365
14	Maharashtra	1652244	1739577	1828027	1825145	1864859	1863585	1688893	1694344	1717571	1771368	1963281	1976493	1937727	1925204	1956286	2005538	1962601	1941352	1801451	1809353	1733501	1747145	1712003	1718682	1919023
15	Manipur	18900	17081	20145	19665	21415	22667	23741	24231	24851	26431	26532	26722	28487	28762	30172	47615	58756	59703	N.A.	74179	68733	30120	23895	15809	52833
16	Meghalaya	32025	29583	46695	34354	32493	43521	39035	76396	68828	62183	65837	78129	87103	92994	102012	76616	75223	87242	N.A.	75118	86999	130255	112464	102848	127704
17	Mizoram	16001	16848	18856	19730	20311	20301	20222	20133	22141	22838	23294	25535	25752	25420	26042	24584	24516	24786	22497	20984	20984	23808	23320	24314	26049
18	Nagaland	29694	39351	38500	41359	42725	41917	45129	47279	47027	42247	49133	42679	45269	45669	45709	45769	58950	79539	72984	69121	47357	77706	46079	64988	80813
19	Odisha	655148	673051	723867	686503	715469	697766	696217	734474	754723	751163	747370	738772	767060	785524	790648	765388	800577	779963	772665	692658	676542	675276	671355	646075	676394
20	Punjab	481960	485764	478062	470547	460267	476527	480088	485625	494830	495063	506704	516246	507665	511058	478176	448409	463689	436170	463788	417460	403200	391125	381200	386004	400579

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21	Rajasthan		471674	523805	610837	700121	987145	828107	996765	1149817	1445675	1480684	1532705	1659437	1745057	1728321	1757693	1770085	1751191	1769339	1806205	1689409	1743150	1795488	1869383	1900605	1902140											
22	Sikkim		7507	8052	9196	9527	10148	11057	11354	10886	10825	9957	9650	9512	8424	8588	8591	8589	8057	7878	7132	7124	7035	6639	7189	6212	6177											
23	Tamil Nadu		1089989	1125588	1114828	1101376	1107351	1088659	1091016	1071863	1054929	1073635	1053826	1058142	1065271	1157979	1205092	1185397	1206850	1167506	1062388	948573	915406	941059	934019	913084	936837											
24	Telangana		Included in Andhra Pradesh															596424	569470	612489	624581	617620	652791	841268	669320	611651	703362											
25	Tripura		46763	32441	49223	55270	38097	38520	57747	N.A.	52768	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	40511	44615	46449	46498	45741	51930	43334	79200	73575	72053	66589	67155	70591											
26	Uttarakhand		N.A. (was included in Uttar Pradesh)						111271	117265	111755	126708	125645	132094	136196	146295	148078	143242	162869	210445	226175	164167	203822	238061	231669	248220	271320											
27	Uttar Pradesh		N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	2215745	1903188	1610172	1939790	2514834	3416225	3228841	4111043	3906734	3641066	3237346	3895924	3916825	3881295	3488980	3545785	4634084	5131999	4854098	5075466	5443003											
28	West Bengal		1418524	1599464	1601210	1780334	1686598	1693078	1681102	1542634	1540222	1505964	1510306	1337034	1295324	1495880	1530332	1357428	1330000	1337146	1415228	1318441	1473914	1507813	1475410	1597267	1358851											
	Union Territories																																					
1	A & N Islands		6359	6937	6365	6346	6503	6242	6318	5594	6103	6018	6074	5887	5785	5613	5448	5371	5672	5193	4897	4705	4653	4497	4617	3856	3949											
2	Chandigarh		18640	19281	19764	19546	19629	20353	22179	22776	23923	24341	24731	24248	24965	25723	26947	28592	29230	29885	31624	32255	32373	31342	23475	22405	27169											
3	D & N	D & N	4845	5336	6192	5316	6029	6775	5524	5999	6290	6405	6572	7325	6316	6865	6678	7015	6788	7858	8979	9532	9420	9731														
	Haveli and	Haveli																							11916	10403	12491											
	Daman &	Daman	4206	3968	4123	4253	4347	4572	4223	3924	4031	4082	4174	4254	4044	4127	4226	4280	4084	4328	3996	4083	4046	4206														
	Diu	& Diu																																				
4	Delhi		284146	287524	317376	296287	300659	301165	305974	324336	322750	322044	333908	354482	359463	353759	360473	370000	373693	374012	379161	367046	362803	365868	301645	271786	300350											
5	Jammu & Kashmir		184343	185234	132941	115255	120375	123883	128296	132635	136747	139795	144912	146410	145385	146370	N.A.	151585	154676	152550	151935	152660	153590	155486	161607	175063	192827											
6	Ladakh		Included in Jammu & Kashmir																																	4020	4257	3067
7	Lakshadweep		1235	1187	1358	1183	1096	1065	936	1039	1020	923	818	668	675	734	734	693	658	819	844	823	820	947	1082	1019	876											
8	Puducherry		35108	38875	41109	42753	44871	45104	47253	46484	49456	49397	47184	47590	45666	44023	40102	39854	40239	39298	39939	40863	42563	43810	28977	30166	34987											

Note:

1. New Formed States : Data for Chhattisgarh was extracted from the reports of Madhya Pradesh for the years 1998-1999, Jharkhand data for the years 1998-2001 was provided by Jharkhand State.

2. For the period 1998 to 2000, total registered births/deaths of States/Union Territories exclude data for Bihar from 1998 to 1999

3. In 2001, total registered births/deaths of States/Union Territories exclude data from Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.

4. Total registered births and deaths of States/Union Territories do not include data for Uttarakhand from 2002 to 2003, Tripura for 2005 and 2007-2009 and Jammu & Kashmir for the year 2012.

5.Total registered births and deaths of States/Union Territories for the year 2016 do not include data from Manipur and Meghalaya.

Source: Vital Statistics in India Based on Civil Registration System 2022. (For data 2013-2022)

Vital Statistics in India Based on Civil Registration System 2012. (For Data 2003-2012)

Vital Statistics in India Based on Civil Registration System Special Report 2002-2005 (For data 1998-2002)