

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4083**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 17TH MARCH, 2026/ PHALGUNA 26, 1947 (SAKA)

DISABILITY INCLUSIVE CENSUS

4083. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has developed any training material for training the enumerators for conducting a disability-inclusive census;

(b) if so, the details of the stakeholders involved in the process of developing the manual;

(c) whether the disability sensitization guidelines for enumerators and supervisors' awareness has been incorporated in the second phase of the training manual for the 16th Census, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any accessibility norms have been considered while designing the Census portal for the self-enumeration exercise, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether the Ministry conducted any consultation with PwD stakeholders for disability inclusion, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a), (b), (c) and (e): Census 2027 will be conducted in two phases, first phase i.e., Houselisting and Housing Census and the second phase i.e., Population Enumeration. Questions for the first phase of Census 2027 have been notified.

In previous Censuses, Disability data was collected in the second

phase of Census. Questions of second phase of Census are notified in due course before conduct of this phase. Once the questions of second phase are finalised and notified, Instruction manual, training tool kits are prepared in consultation with concerned stakeholders and training to the census functionaries including enumerators and supervisors are organised.

(d): Enumerators shall undertake house-to-house field visits in their allotted enumeration block for collection of census data. Provision of self-enumeration is an additional facility for the respondents to submit data. Data on the self-enumeration portal may be filled by any member of the household.
