

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3807
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.08.2015**

POPULATION OF MINORITIES

3807. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that the population of a few minorities is increasing drastically in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of such communities and their percentage in the population of the country; and
- (c) the literacy rate of such communities compared to majority of the population?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)**

(a) & (b): The population data on religion-wise for year 2011 has yet to be published by Office of Registrar General of India and Census Commissioner (RGI & CC). The comparison to the population of minorities for the year 2001 only can be done on publishing the population data on religion-wise for the year 2011.

(c): As per National Sample Survey (NSS) 66th Round Report, the community-wise literacy rate (percentage) in 2009 was as under:

Community	Rural Male	Rural Female	Urban Male	Urban Female
Hinduism	74.30	49.50	91.00	77.70
Islam	69.10	47.40	81.00	65.50
Christianity	85.80	76.80	94.10	88.10
Sikhism	74.30	59.70	86.10	76.50
Others	78.90	56.70	94.50	84.60
All	74.00	50.20	89.60	76.40
