

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
RAJYA SABHA  
QUESTION NO 1033  
ANSWERED ON 27.12.2017**

**Status of Rohingya population**

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Shri Vivek Gupta

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the number of people seeking refuge identified as Rohingya, who are currently staying in India and the details thereof;
- (b) how does Government define the term 'illegal migrant' and the details thereof and criterion for the same;
- (c) the number of cases registered against the Rohingya Muslims in cases related to terrorism and hawala transactions in the last three years; and
- (d) the number of people who belong to Hindu religion, who are also identified as Rohingyas?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI KIREN RIJJU)

- (a): It is estimated that about 40,000 Rohingyas from Myanmar have illegally entered into India.
- (b): "Illegal migrants" are defined under Section 2(1) (b) of The Citizenship Act, 1955 as under:-  
"Illegal migrant" means a foreigner who has entered into India- (i) without a valid passport or other travel documents and such other documents or

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authority as may be prescribed by or under any law in the behalf; or (ii) with a valid passport or other travel documents and such other documents or authority as may be prescribed by or under any law in that behalf but remains therein beyond the permitted period of time;

(c): There are reports of Rohingyas indulging in illegal activities. Data regarding cases registered against Rohingyas is not centrally maintained.

(d): No such data is centrally maintained.

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