Ministry of Home Affairs

Repatriation of Illegal Bangladeshi Citizens

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There is no specific treaty or agreement with the Government of Bangladesh regarding repatriation of its citizens who have illegally entered into India.

National Register of Citizens contains names of Indian Citizens only. Regarding deportation, details of the suspected illegal migrants, who are apprehended in India, are shared with the respective foreign Missions/Embassies through the Ministry of External Affairs for nationality verification. Such illegal migrants are deported after their nationality is confirmed and travel documents are issued by the respective Foreign Missions/Embassies.

Details of Bangladeshi nationals deported to Bangladesh during the last five years are as follows :-

Year	No. Of Bangladeshi nationals deported to Bangladesh
2013	5234
2014	989
2015	474
2016	308
2017	51

Detention and deportation of illegal immigrants is a continuous process. Pending deportation, apprehended illegal migrants are kept in detention centre. Details regarding number of persons declared as illegal migrants and detained in detention centre in various States/ Union Territories are not centrally maintained.

This was stated by the Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri Kiren Rijiju in written reply to a question in the Rajya Sabha today.

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