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Q. NO.1958 INDIAN IN BANGLADESH CONCLAVES

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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1958
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2015

INDIAN IN BANGLADESH CONCLAVES

1958. SHRI RITABRATA BANERJEE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Indians living in Bangladeshi conclaves presently;
- (b) how many of them want to shift to the Indian side; and
- (c) what are the measures adopted for their rehabilitation?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) to (c) As per a headcount conducted jointly by India and Bangladesh from July 14-17, 2011, the total population of erstwhile Bangladeshi enclaves in India was found to be 14,215. During a joint field survey carried out on July 6-16, 2015, this number was updated to 14,854. All these residents of these enclaves have opted for Indian citizenship and will remain in India. These erstwhile Bangladeshi enclaves have been merged with Indian territory with effect from midnight of July 31, 2015. The State Government of West Bengal has worked out a package, inter alia for development of infrastructure of the erstwhile Bangladeshi enclaves in India, with central assistance.



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