

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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Illegal Pakistani immigrants

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- (a) whether the number of illegal Pakistani immigrants is increasing in the country, if so, the reasons therefor and also special steps being taken by Government to tackle the situation which were not taken before;
- (b) the month-wise details of illegal immigrants during the last three years;
- (c) the number of Pakistanis living on Short Term Visa (STV) and Long Term Visa (LTV) and duration of their stay; and
- (d) whether a person could stay for whole life on such a visa, if so, the details of people who have been staying in the country for decades on this basis?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): No Sir. As per information available, the number of Pakistani nationals who came to India on valid travel documents and found to be overstaying has come down from 4335 as on 31.12.2014 to 518 as on 31.12.2015. Month-wise details of such illegal immigrants are not centrally maintained.

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(c) & (d): As per information available, the number of Pakistani nationals registered on various categories of Short Term Visas (STV) during 2015 was 27,195. During 2015, 2238 Pakistani nationals have been granted Long Term Visa (LTV) by the Government. LTV is granted to certain categories of Pakistani nationals desirous of living in India permanently with the objective of acquiring Indian citizenship. Details of Pakistani nationals staying in India on LTV for a long period without applying for Indian citizenship are not centrally maintained.
