

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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PENDING PASSPORT APPLICATIONS IN UP
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) The average time taken by Regional Passport Office (RPO) Uttar Pradesh to issue passports after police verification;
- (b) The number of passport applications complete in all respects pending with R.P.O., Uttar Pradesh as on date;
- (c) the reasons therefor; and?
- (d) the time taken by which the pending applications are likely to be cleared?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA)

- (a) The average time taken to issue passports after police verification by Passport Offices in UP is as follows: Lucknow and Bareilly- two weeks and Ghaziabad- four weeks.
- (b) The number of passport applications complete in all respects pending with Passport Offices in UP is as follows: Lucknow- 2251(as on 1.8.03), Bareilly- 250 (as on 31.7.03) and Ghaziabad- 2578(as on 4.8.03)
- (c) The applications are pending because the files are being processed.
- (d) The time by which the pending applications are likely to be cleared is as follows: Lucknow- one week, Bareilly-two weeks and Ghaziabad- four weeks.