

Sixteenth Lok Sabha

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Title: Regarding citizenship issue in Assam.

DR. MAMTAZ SANGHAMITA (BARDHMAN DURGAPUR): It is a matter of grave concern that lakhs of Bengali-speaking residents of Assam are allegedly being discriminated in NRC (National Register of Citizens) processed by local Government. They are suspected to be excluded from the list of Indian Citizenship on the ground of delay in application and many other reasons. Henceforth, those citizens are likely to become stateless. Chief Minister of West Bengal has expressed her concern over it. Even the special rapporteur of United Nations asked the Government to reply to their observation. We want to know the ground reality.