ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.734 TO BE REPLIED ON: 26/03/2018

Sub. : D Voters and notice of F.T.

Shri AMINUL ISLAM, MLA:

Will the Minister of Home be pleased to state:

- How many people were marked as 'D' against their names in the electoral roll in total so far? Out of those, how many cases have been disposed off till now and how many cases yet to be disposed? How many accused persons have been declared as foreigners and how many persons have been declared as Indian Citizens by the F. T. so far?
- (b) How many cases have been referred to the Foreigner's Tribunal so far other than 'D' Voters? How many cases have been disposed off so far and out of those how many persons have been declared as foreigners? How many cases other than 'D' voters are yet to be disposed?
- (c) What are the constitutional rights a 'D' voter or accused persons (doubtful citizen) can not avail? What compensation is given to a person who has been declared as Indian citizen (not foreigner) by competent authority for the period of not availing few fundamental or constitutional rights being a 'D' voter or doubtful citizen?
- (d) How many 'D' voters are there in Lengribori G. P. under Moirabari P.S. of Morigaon district?

 (Kindly furnish the police report and other verification reports of the 'D' voters above, to file the case.)

ANSWER

Hon'ble Minister of Transport etc. Department Sri Chandra Mohan Patowary will reply on behalf of Hon'ble Minister of Home Department Sri Sarbananda Sonowal.

- (a) A total 244144 nos. of persons were marked "D" Voters in the Electoral Rolls till 31-12-2017. Out of 244144 nos. of cases ,131034 nos. of cases have been disposed of upto 31-12-2017 and 113110 nos. of cases are pending for disposal in Foreigners Tribunals. A total of 20578 (Pre'1971-1942 persons & Post'1971 -18636 persons) nos. of persons have been declared as foreigners and 66986 nos. of persons declared as Indian citizens by the FTs.
- (b) A total 241496 nos. of cases other than "D" voters have been referred to the Foreigners Tribunals upto 31-12-2017. Out of 241496 nos. of cases, 109549 nos. of cases disposed of as on 31/12/2017. Out of 109549 nos. of disposed cases, 69628 nos. of persons have been declared as foreigners by the FTs. A total 131947 nos. of cases are pending in FTs for disposal other than 'D' voters.
- (c) The 'D' voters are not allowed to vote in any election to the Lok Sabha or Assam Legislative Assembly in pursuance of Election Commission of India's instruction contained in letter No.23/AS/96-Vol.II dated 5th January, 1998.
- (d) Information on 'D' Voter is available LAC-wise only and GP wise information is not available.

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