

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PLANNING
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2371
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ISSUANCE OF NATIONAL IDENTITY CARDS .

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- (a) whether Overseas Indian would be issued National Identity Cards;
- (b) if so, the details of the scheme worked out for Overseas Indians;
- (c) whether the National Identity Cards proposed to be issued to the citizens in the country would substitute Election Cards;
- (d) the details of the contents of the proposed cards;
- (e) the States which are proposed to be covered in the first phase; and
- (f) the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a): As of now the mandate of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) is to issue Unique Identification Number (UIDs) to all residents in India and not National Identity Cards.

(b) & (c): Does not arise.

(d): The UIDAI will issue a Unique ID (UID) number, not a card. The UID number will only provide identity and not citizenship. The number will not contain intelligence. The Authority will only collect basic information in respect of the resident in order to issue UID Number.

(e): Yet to be decided.

(f): Does not arise.
