



# Rajasthan Citizenship Camps for Minority

## Why in News?

The **Rajasthan government** is going to organize special **camps to [grant Indian citizenship to minority refugees](#)** from **Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Bangladesh**.

## Key Points

- The **rules and procedures for granting Indian citizenship to [minority refugees](#)** from Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Bangladesh **have been simplified**. District collectors are now authorized to issue citizenship certificates.
- According to the sources, **2,329 people have been granted citizenship in the state** from 2016 to 2024.
  - A total of **1,566 applications are pending at present**. Of these, Intelligence Bureau reports are awaited in 300 cases.

## Citizenship Amendment Act, 2019

- The [Citizenship \(Amendment\) Act, 2019](#) seeks to amend the [Citizenship Act, 1955](#).
- The CAA provides citizenship on the basis of religion to six undocumented non-Muslim communities (**Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians**) from **Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh** who entered India on or before **31<sup>st</sup> December, 2014**.
- It exempts the members of the **six communities** from any criminal case under the [Foreigners Act, 1946](#) and the [Passport Act, 1920](#).
  - The two Acts specify punishment for **entering the country illegally** and staying here on **expired visas and permits**.

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