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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 3, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.
(CENSUS CELL)

NOTIFICATION

The 14th September, 2026

No. DLG-Census/171/2026/177.- In Supersession of this department Notification No. DLG-Census Cell/2025/55/04 dated 28th July, 2025, I Ghanshyam Thori, IAS, Administrative Secretary do hereby republish the notification published in the Gazette of India No. 4730/S.O. 4919 (E) dated the 5th September, 2026 as per instruction issued by the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India vide No. 9/10/2025-CD (Cen) dated the 5th September, 2026 as under: -

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(Office of the Registrar General, India)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 5th September, 2026

S.O. 4919(E).-- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Census Act, 1948 (37 of 1948), and in supersession of the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs (Office of Registrar General, India) number S.O. 2681(E), dated the 16th June, 2025 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (ii), dated the 16th June, 2025, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government hereby declares that a census of the population of India shall be taken during the year 2027.

2. The reference date for the said census shall be 00.00 hours of the 1st day of March, 2027, except for--
- (i) the Union territory of Ladakh and snow-bound non-synchronous areas of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir and the snow-bound non-synchronous areas of the States of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand which shall be 00:00 hours of the 1st day of October, 2026;
 - (ii) the States of Goa, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab and areas other than snow-bound areas of the State of Uttarakhand, which shall be 00:00 hours of the 5th day of January, 2027.

[F. No. 9/8/2025- CD (Cen)]

MRITUNJAY KUMAR NARAYAN,
Registrar General of India and Census Commissioner

Sd/-

GHANSHYAM THORI, IAS

Administrative Secretary to Govt. of Punjab
Department of Local Government

Chandigarh
The 11th September, 2026