



CENSUS 2027



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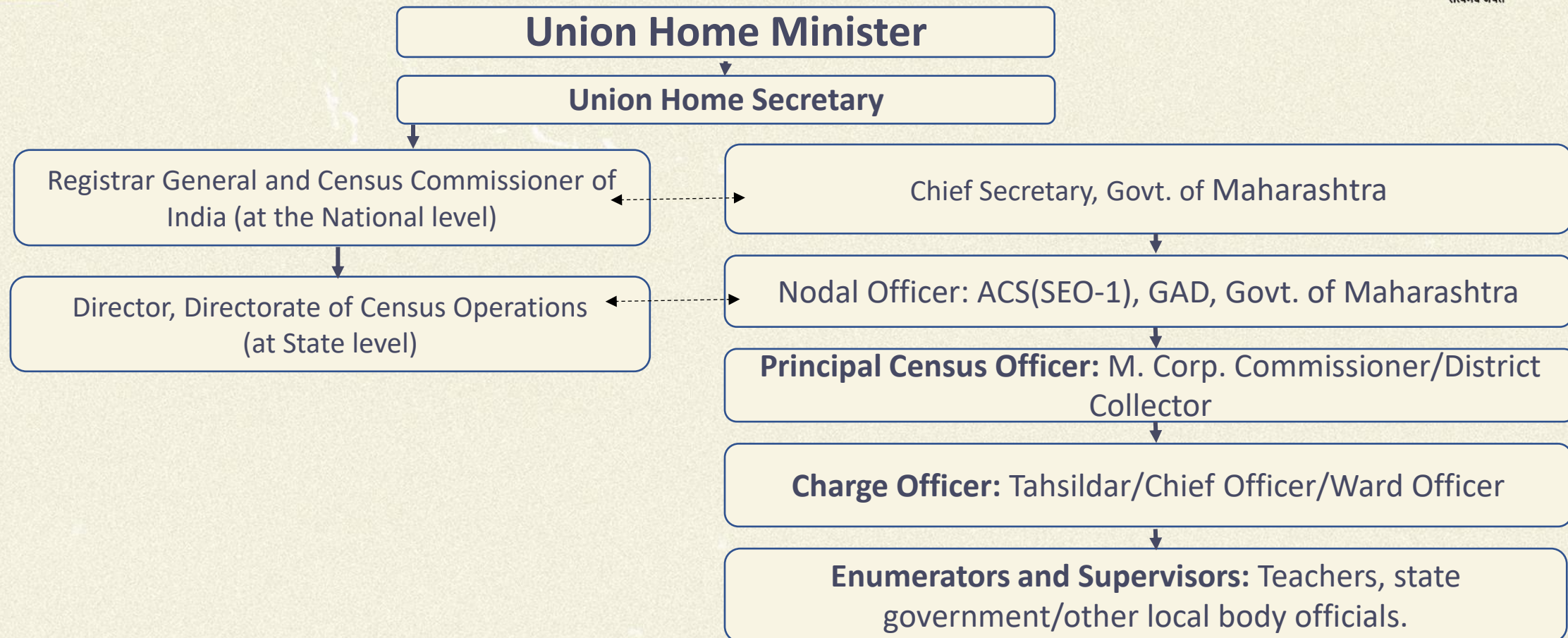
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Census – Background

- Census is a Union subject and is listed at serial number 69 in the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution
- Legal framework: Census Act, 1948 and the Census Rules, 1990
 - Individual data is kept confidential under section 15 of Census Act
- Census is conducted in collaboration with State Government of Maharashtra
- Last Census conducted in 2011
- Census 2027, 16th Census in the series and 8th since independence

Census - Administrative Setup





Reference Date and Phases of Census 2027



Census Reference Date: 00:00 hrs. March 1, 2027 (For UT of Ladakh and Snow-Bound areas of UT of Jammu & Kashmir and States of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, **00:00 hrs. October 1, 2026**)

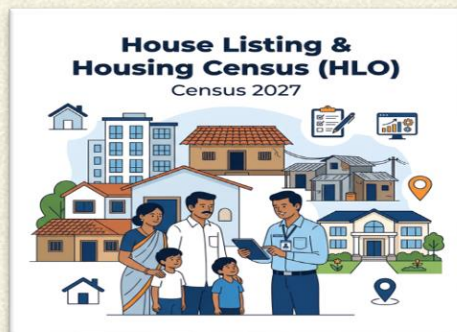
Census – 2027 will be conducted in two phases:

Phase 1: House Listing and Housing Census (HLO)

Self-Enumeration: 1st May to 15th May, 2026

House-listing Operations: 16th May to 14th June, 2026

Provides data on housing conditions, amenities available and assets possessed by households. Provide frame for Phase 2 of Census

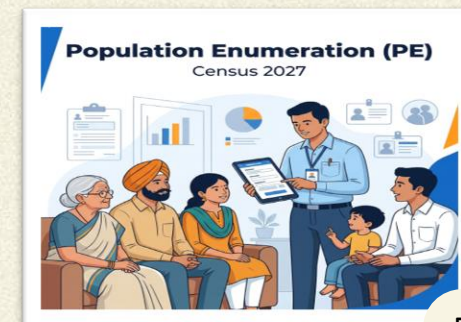


Phase 2: Population Enumeration (PE)

Self-Enumeration: To be notify later

Population Enumeration: February, 2027

Provides data on various demographic, socio-cultural and economic parameters along with migration and fertility characteristics of individuals from each household.



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Census 2027- GoI Notifications



- Gazette Notification for intent of Census-2027 issued on 16.06.2025
- The notification for the period of 1st phase issued on 07.01.2026
 - Houselisting Operations – 30 days between April - September, 2026
 - Self Enumeration: 15-day time period just before Houselisting Operations of 30 days
- Questions of 1st phase notified on 22.01.2026
- Notifications for the period and questions of the 2nd Phase will be published in due course
 - Caste Enumeration will be done during second phase of Census





Census 2027- GoM Notifications



- Gazette Notification for intent of Census-2027 republished on 30.06.2025
- Census officers appointed at all Administrative levels of the State vide General Administration Department's GR dated 23.12.2025. Gazette notification also published on this matter on 23.12.2025.
- Questions of 1st phase notified on 16.02.2026
- The notification for the period of first phase issued on 26.02.2026
 - **Self Enumeration**: 15-days between 01.05.2026 to 15.05.2026
 - **House-listing Operations** – 30 days between 16.05.2026 to 14.06.2026

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Houselisting and Housing Census Period

(April – September, 2026)



Sr. No.	State / UTs	Period of Self-Enumeration by respondents	Period of house to house House-listing and Housing Census by Enumerator
1	Maharashtra	1 May to 15 May	16 May to 14 June
2	NCT Delhi (MCD area)	1 May to 15 May	16 May to 14 June
3	Rajasthan	1 May to 15 May	16 May to 14 June
4	Meghalaya	1 May to 15 May	16 May to 14 June
5	Jharkhand	1 May to 15 May	16 May to 14 June
6	Uttar Pradesh	7 May to 21 May	22 May to 20 June
7	Jammu & Kashmir	17 May to 31 May	1 June to 30 June
8	Ladakh	17 May to 31 May	1 June to 30 June
9	Puducherry	17 May to 31 May	1 June to 30 June
10	Himachal Pradesh	1 June to 15 June	16 June to 15 July



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House-listing and Housing Census Questions (1/2)

	S No.	Question
Condition of the House	1	Line Number
	2	Building number
	3	Census house number
	4	Predominant material of Floor of the Census house
	5	Predominant material of Wall of the Census house
	6	Predominant material of Roof of the Census house
	7	Ascertain use of Census house
	8	Condition of the Census House

	S No.	Question
Household Information	9	Household number
	10	Total number of persons normally residing in the household
	11	Name of the head of the household
	12	Sex of the head of the household
	13	Weather the head of the household belongs to SC/ ST/Other
	14	Ownership status of the Census house
	15	Number of dwelling rooms exclusively in possession of the household
	16	Number of married couple(s) living in the household

House-listing and Housing Census Questions (2/2)

	S No.	Question
Amenities available to the household	17	Main source of drinking water
	18	Availability of drinking water source
	19	Main source of lighting
	20	Access to Latrine
	21	Type of Latrine
	22	Waste water outlet
	23	Availability of bathing facility
	24	Availability of kitchen and LPG/PNG connection
	25	Main Fuel used for cooking

	S No.	Question
Assets possessed by the household	26	Radio/Transistor
	27	Television
	28	Access to Internet
	29	Laptop/Computer
	30	Telephone/Mobile Phone/Smartphone
	31	Bicycle and Scooter/Motorcycle/Moped
	32	Car/Jeep/Van
Others	33	Main cereal consumed in the household
	34	Mobile number (For Census related communications only)



Census 2027 - Preparations



- Union Cabinet approved a total outlay of ₹11,718.24 crore for the Census on 12th December 2025
- Administrative units frozen as on 01.01.2026
- Pre-test for Phase-1 was conducted in all States/UTs in November 2025
- State Level Census Coordination Committee meeting held under the chairpersonship of Hon'ble Chief Secretary, Govt. of Maharashtra on 3rd February, 2026
- State Government of Maharashtra has appointed Census officers at all administrative levels vide its GR dated 23rd December, 2025.



Census 2027 - Preparations

- Instruction manuals for Phase-1 prepared in 3 languages viz. Marathi, Hindi and English for the State.
- Training of Census Functionaries in progress. As per the training cascade, 1st phase of state-level training i.e. 141 Master trainers' training is completed at YASHADA, Pune and these Master Trainers imparted training to 3,850 Field Trainers in the next stage. At the last phase of training, Enumerators & Supervisors training is under progress at Charge level in which Field trainers will be imparting training and it is completed by 8th May, 2026.
- Methodology and guidelines in the form of Circulars issued to Census functionaries to maintain uniformity and smooth conduct of Census across the State
- Time bound calendar of activities for intensive monitoring

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Census 2027 - Digital Tools

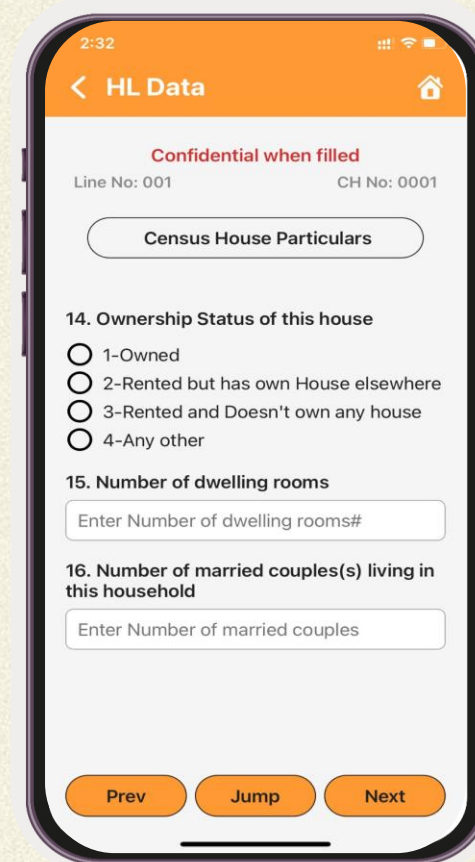


Census 2027 is being conducted through digital means

- Data will be collected through Mobile App
- Option for Self-Enumeration will also be there for the public
- A web-based portal to manage and monitor various activities of Census-2027
- House Listing Block (HLB) Creation through web mapping application

Data Collection Through Mobile Apps

- Mobile Apps Both Android and iOS
 - Marathi, Hindi and other 14 languages
 - Provision for offline data collection
- Enumerators/Supervisors to use their own mobile devices
- In-built data validation checks



2:32

< HL Data

Confidential when filled

Line No: 001 CH No: 0001

Census House Particulars

14. Ownership Status of this house

☐ 1-Owned

☐ 2-Rented but has own House elsewhere

☐ 3-Rented and Doesn't own any house

☐ 4-Any other

15. Number of dwelling rooms

Enter Number of dwelling rooms#

16. Number of married couples(s) living in this household

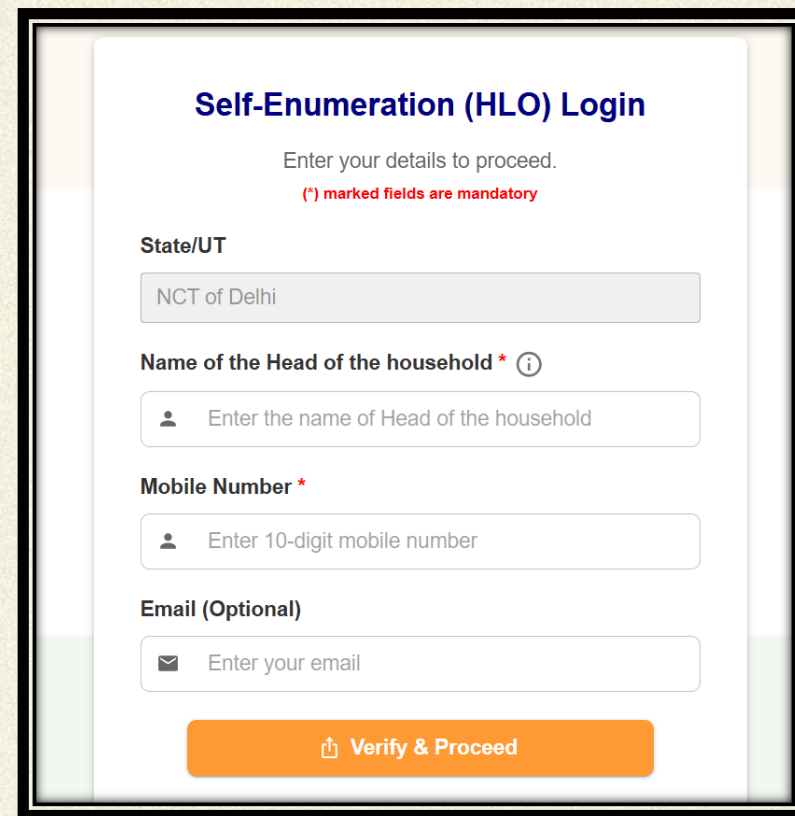
Enter Number of married couples

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Self-Enumeration (SE)

<https://se.census.gov.in>

- SE portal will be available in 16 languages
- Respondent logs into the SE Portal by entering the Mobile Number & other details
- Once the respondent has filled all the questions, SE ID will be generated and sent to the registered mobile number of the respondent
- This SE ID is to be handed over to the enumerator during the field visit by the Self Enumerated household
- After confirming the self-enumeration data, the enumerator will include it in the original database.



Self-Enumeration (HLO) Login

Enter your details to proceed.
(*) marked fields are mandatory

State/UT
NCT of Delhi

Name of the Head of the household * ⓘ
Enter the name of Head of the household

Mobile Number *
Enter 10-digit mobile number

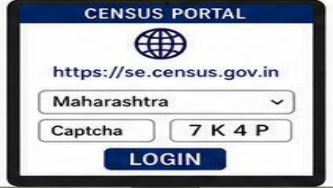
Email (Optional)
Enter your email

Verify & Proceed

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1 SECTION 1: ACCESS & INITIAL REGISTRATION

STEP 1: REGISTRATION



CENSUS PORTAL
https://se.census.gov.in
Maharashtra
Captcha 7 K 4 P
LOGIN

- portal opens on 1st May till 15th May 2026
https://se.census.gov.in
- Select Maharashtra and enter the captcha to log in.

STEP 2: HOUSEHOLD REGISTRATION

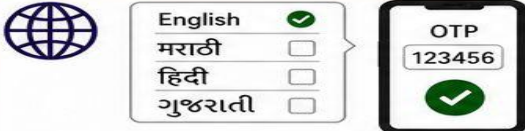


Enter:
 Head of Household's Name (cannot be changed later)
 Ramesh Kumar
 Mobile Number (10-digit)
 9876543210
 Email ID (Optional)
 ramesh@gmail.com
 SUBMIT

! IMPORTANT
One mobile number + one household only.

2 SECTION 2: VERIFICATION & LOCATION IDENTIFICATION

STEP 3: LANGUAGE & OTP VERIFICATION



English ☒
 मराठी ☐
 हिंदी ☐
 गुजराती ☐
 OTP 123456

- Choose your preferred language (cannot be changed later)
- Enter the OTP sent to your registered mobile number.

STEP 4: PROVIDE LOCATION DETAILS



District Mumbai
 PIN Code 400001
 Village/Town/Locality Ballard estate

Fill in:
 District
 PIN code
 Village/Town/Locality

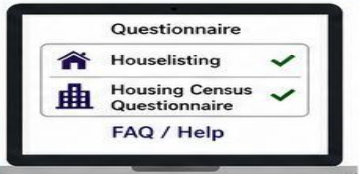
STEP 5: LOCATE RESIDENCE ON MAP



- Drag the red marker on the map to pinpoint your exact home.
- Confirm the location carefully.

3 SECTION 3: DATA ENTRY & FINAL SUBMISSION

STEP 6: COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE



Questionnaire
 Houselisting ☒
 Housing Census Questionnaire ☒
 FAQ / Help

- Fill out all required details in:
 Houselisting
 Housing Census questionnaire
- Use tooltips/FAQs if needed.

STEP 7: PREVIEW & REVIEW



- Double-check all entries.
- You can:
 Edit details
 Save draft for later
 Proceed to submit

STEP 8: FINAL SUBMISSION



Final Submit

YOUR SE ID (11 DIGITS PREFIXED WITH "H")
H1234567890

4 SECTION 4: FIELD VALIDATION

STEP 9: ENUMERATOR VISIT



- Census Enumerator will visit your home (16th may - 14th June , 2026)
- Share your SE ID with them.

ID MATCHING OUTCOMES



If details match
 → data is confirmed



If not
 → enumerator will collect data again

Thank you for your participation in the Census of India!

KEY TIPS FOR SMOOTH COMPLETION



Use accurate and final information (some fields cannot be edited later).



Keep your mobile phone handy for OTP.



Carefully mark your exact location on the map.



Review everything before final submission.



Your information is secure and used only for Census purposes.

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Census 2027 - Data Security



- End to End data security - on mobile; during data transmission and at server level
- Secure data protection mechanism
- Security audits by reputed agencies
- Data Centres declared as Critical Information Infrastructure (CII)
- Data Centers ISO/IEC 27001:2022 certified



Training of Census Functionaries

- Critically important for ensuring quality of data
- Training of State, District, Charge Officers and Enumerators/Supervisors for both phases separately
- More than 5,000 training batches across the state for each phase

Structure of Trainers



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Thank You



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