

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE – HOME AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

Parliamentary Inquiry – Review on the listing of Jemaah Anshorut Daulah and Jama'at Mujahideen Bangladesh

(RJAD/001) – Bangladeshi community in Australia -

Asked:

Where is the Bangladeshi community in Australia predominantly located?

What is the size of the Bangladeshi community in Australia?

What are the immigration trends relating to the Bangladeshi community in Australia and in what time period did the majority of the Bangladeshi community arrive in Australia?

Answer:

According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, in the 2016 Census, 49,870 people in Australia identified with Bangladeshi or Bengali ancestry. Most Bangladesh-born have settled in the urban areas of New South Wales while smaller numbers settled in other states and territories. The vast majority of Bangladeshi-born people living in Australia migrated here as skilled migrants after 1980, with 61 per cent arriving after 2005.