GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1822 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2022

INDIANS BROUGHT BACK UNDER VANDE BHARAT MISSION

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Will the Minister of **External Affairs** be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Indian nationals brought back to India from foreign countries under Vande Bharat Mission during corona period;
- (b) the names of the countries from where these people had been brought back to India; and
- (c) the financial expenditure incurred by Government for the safety of Indians living abroad?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

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- (a) During the global Covid-19 pandemic, the Government of India launched the 'Vande Bharat' Mission to repatriate Indian nationals and to facilitate the travel of passengers between India and other parts of the world. As on 06th March 2022, 2.97 crore passengers (in-bound and out-bound) have been facilitated in the flights operated under the Vande Bharat Mission and Air Bubble Arrangements.
- (b) The names of countries from where these people had been brought back are placed at **Annexure-I.**
- (c) The Government through India Missions and Posts abroad assisted distressed and stranded Indian nationals by using the Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF). Total expenditure incurred for assisting more than 1,73,618 Indian nationals abroad, including for repatriation and evacuation, has been Rs. **45.78 crores**.

The name of countries from where Indian Nationals have been brought back to India under Vande Bharat Mission and Air Bubble Agreements.

1	AFGHANISTAN
2	ALGERIA
3	ANGOLA
4	ARMENIA
5	AUSTRALIA
6	AUSTRIA
7	AZERBAIJAN
8	BAHRAIN
9	BANGLADESH
10	BARBADOS
11	BELARUS
12	BELGIUM
13	BHUTAN
14	BRAZIL
15	BRUNEI
16	BULGARIA
17	CAMBODIA
18	CANADA
19	CHINA
20	CROATIA
21	DENMARK
22	DJIBOUTI
23	EGYPT
24	ESTONIA
25	ETHIOPIA
26	FIJI
27	FINLAND
28	FRANCE
29	GEORGIA
30	GERMANY
31	GHANA
32	GREECE
33	HONG KONG
34	HUNGARY
35	INDONESIA
36	IRAN
37	IRAQ
38	IRELAND
39	ISRAEL
40	ITALY
41	JAPAN
42	JORDAN
43	KAZAKHSTAN
44	KENYA
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45	KUWAIT
46	KYRGYZSTAN
47	LAOS
48	LATVIA
49	LEBANON
50	MADAGASCAR
51	MALAYSIA
52	MALDIVES
53	MALI
54	MALTA
55	MAURITIUS
56	MEXICO
57	MOLDOVA
58	MONGOLIA
59	MOROCCO
60	MYANMAR
61	NEPAL
62	NETHERLANDS
63	NEW ZEALAND
64	NIGERIA
65	NORWAY
66	OMAN
67	OTHERS
68	PAKISTAN
69	PHILIPPINES
70	POLAND
71	PORTUGAL
72	QATAR
73	ROMANIA
74	RUSSIA
75	RWANDA
76	SAUDI ARABIA
77	SCOTLAND
78	SEYCHELLES
79	SINGAPORE
80	SOUTH AFRICA
81	SOUTH KOREA
82	SPAIN
83	SRI LANKA
84	SUDAN
85	SWEDEN
86	SWITZERLAND
87	SYRIA
88	TAIWAN
89	TAJIKISTAN
90	TANZANIA
91	THAILAND
92	TUNISIA

93	TURKEY
94	TURKMENISTAN
95	UKRAINE
96	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
97	UNITED KINGDOM
98	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
99	UZBEKISTAN
100	VIETNAM
101	YEMEN
102	ZIMBABWE
