

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1021
ANSWERED ON- 15/12/2022

CHANGES IN THE VISA RULES

1021. DR. ANIL AGRAWAL:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of British holidaymakers have cancelled their trips to India due to changes in the visa rules;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of British Citizens who visited India during the years 2020, 2021 and 2022 till date; and
- (d) the steps taken by Government in the regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a) to (d) 2,91,874, 1,64,143 and 3,57,396 (provisional) British citizens visited India as tourists during the year 2020, 2021 and 2022 (Jan-Aug), respectively. Government of India has restored e-visas for UK nationals w.e.f. 05.12.2022 in several categories including tourist visas.
