

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2006**  
ANSWERED ON- 08/08/2024

**DECLINE IN INDIAN STUDENTS' INTAKE IN CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES**

2006. SMT. RENUKA CHOWDHURY

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that Indian students' intake in Canadian universities has dipped in recent years due to strained relations with Canada, and if so, the details of students enrolled there during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) whether the student intake has declined in other countries also, if so, the details thereof, country-wise and year-wise for the last three years; and
- (c) the system that Government would put in place to check the migration of students from our country, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

- (a) As per information obtained from the website of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), the Indian student intake at Canadian universities has increased over the last three years. Data provided in table below:

Year	2021	2022	2023
Indian Students	2,16,360	3,18,380	4,27,085

- (b) As per information available with the Ministry, the student intake in other countries for last three years is at Annexure A. In some countries there has been an upward trend in the student intake from India, whereas in some others the student intake has declined.
- (c) Government of India encourages only legal form of migration and mobility from India, including for students.

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**ANNEXURE – A**

<b>Sr No.</b>	<b>Name of Country</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
1.	Tanzania	0	0	24
2.	Sri Lanka	38	45	60
3.	Belgium	676	1035	967
4.	Luxembourg	91	125	108
5.	Bulgaria	357	353	466
6.	South Africa	205	187	175
7.	Serbia	20	20	350
8.	Estonia	0	139	114
9.	Germany	41486	66118	24474
10.	Italy	8856	9326	5196
11.	UK	136700	12000	0
12.	Russia	16984	21511	25278
13.	Columbia	0	1	1
14.	Canada	2,16,360	3,18,380	4,27,085
15.	Argentina	0	3	3
16.	USA	1,99,182	2,68,923	3,51,106
17.	Oman	430	0	0
18.	Egypt	0	0	1049
19.	Iran	1750	1063	1020
20.	Venezuela	229	93	0
21.	Czech Republic	1530	1825	2058
22.	China	11636	3213	7858
23.	Hong Kong	948	714	580
24.	Uzbekistan	150	2500	5500
25.	South Korea	1241	1572	1658
26.	Cyprus	0	1395	4352
27.	Australia	97613	96000	1,24,829
28.	Vietnam	0	0	1
29.	Greece	21	15	8
30.	Armenia	2023	1740	3450
31.	Georgia	8969	11197	16254
32.	Thailand	401	413	420
33.	Indonesia	0	2	7
34.	Lebanon	5	21	39

35.	Bhutan	2	2	1
36.	Kazakhstan	5300	4855	9785
37.	Azerbaijan	176	197	450
38.	Taiwan	2995	2606	2536
39.	Mauritius	850	3278	3221
40.	Brunei	32	30	20
41.	Japan	700	700	700
42.	Iceland	26	26	26
43.	Turkey	54	84	153
44.	Malaysia	3577	3569	4412
45.	Kyrgyz Republic	15162	14728	16500
46.	Spain	1222	1428	1400
47.	Slovenia	36	130	157
48.	Tajikistan	1219	1126	937
49.	Belarus	1069	1054	931
50.	UAE	325421	0	2,47,325
51.	Brazil	3	4	7
52.	Trinidad & Tobago	7	5	5
53.	Ukraine	18095	23515	11987
54.	Denmark	574	574	509
55.	Poland	4500	5000	5000
56.	Bahrain	406	0	0
57.	Philippines	17242	9665	0
58.	Finland	1054	1450	0
59.	Hungary	1876	2100	441
60.	Switzerland	876	1447	2802
61.	Romania	86	126	157
62.	Moldova	700	847	1141
63.	Albania	0	63	0
64.	Barbados	100	124	130
65.	St Lucia	220	220	220
66.	Netherlands	3307	3478	3512
67.	Sweden	2160	2401	0
68.	Latvia	1754	2643	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>11,58,702</b>	<b>9,07,404</b>	<b>13,18,955</b>

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