

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No – 717**  
ANSWERED ON 05/02/2026

**SITUATION OF INDIANS STRANDED IN IRAN**

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

- (a) the number of Indians currently stranded in Iran amidst ongoing anti-Government protests;
- (b) the number of Indians successfully repatriated since the start of the protests;
- (c) the number of Indians missing or killed during the protests; and
- (d) the steps taken so far to bring Indians back from Iran?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) Based on current estimates, there are approximately 9,000-10,000 Indian nationals residing in Iran. The Government does not consider them stranded, as Iranian airspace remains open and commercial flights are operating. The Embassy of India in Tehran is in regular contact with the community and continues to provide guidance and support.
- (b) No evacuation has taken place since Operation Sindhu (June 2025). With commercial flights operating, Indian nationals wishing to return to India have been advised to use regular commercial air services.
- (c) There are no reports of any Indian national being missing or killed during the recent protests.
- (d) The Government issued travel advisories on 05 and 14 January 2026, urging avoidance of non-essential travel to Iran, advising Indians in Iran to leave via commercial flights and to stay alert. The Embassy continues to assist, advise and guide Indian nationals as required.

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