

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
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EVACUATION OF INDIAN NATIONALS FROM IRAN

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Indian nationals evacuated from Iran since the onset of hostilities and how many are estimated to remain there;
- (b) whether Government has assessed the academic and financial losses suffered by medical students evacuated from Iran and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any steps have been taken to rehabilitate or continue the education of such returning students and if not, whether these would be initiated;
- (d) whether any compensation or relief has been extended to evacuees and if so, the criteria followed; and
- (e) the current status of travel advisory for Iran and Government's assessment of security situation there?

ANSWER

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

(a to e) Since the onset of hostilities in West Asia in February 2026, the Indian Embassy in Tehran has facilitated the cross-border movement of 2,557 Indian nationals from Iran to Armenia/Azerbaijan for their onward travel to India. The Government estimates that there may be about 7,000 Indian nationals in Iran, which include seminary students, medical students, workers, seafarers and fishermen.

The Government has raised the issues faced by Indian medical students studying in Iran, who had to return to India due to the conflict, with the Iranian authorities, and is exploring ways to mitigate the situation.

The Government is closely monitoring the security situation in Iran and has issued timely advisories to Indian nationals depending on the developments. The Indian Embassy has a 24/7 emergency helpline and email for Indian nationals to stay in contact. In the latest advisory (19 July), Indian nationals already in Iran were advised to consider temporarily exiting Iran, using available flight options. Similarly, Indian nationals desiring to travel to Iran have been advised to postpone their travel plan till the situation improves.
