

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 557
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH NOVEMBER, 2016**

FOREIGNERS AVAILING MEDICAL TREATMENT

557. SHRI PARBHUBHAI NAGARBHAI VASAVA:

Will the Minister of **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of foreigners visit private and Government hospitals in the country for treatment every year;
- (b) if so, the country-wise details of such foreigners visited the country during the last three years;
- (c) the details of hospitals in which treatment was taken by foreign patients; and
- (d) the foreign exchange earned by the Government through it?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)**

- (a): A number of foreigners visit India every year for treatment in our hospitals.
- (b): Details regarding the number of Foreign Tourist Arrivals, as per data received from the Ministry of Tourism, on Medical Visa and Medical Attendant Visa during 2013, 2014 and 2015 are given in the Annexure.
- (c) & (d): Health is a State subject. Details regarding hospitals where treatment was taken by such patients and foreign exchange earned in the process, are not maintained by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

ANNEXURE

The number of Foreign Tourist Arrivals on Medical and Medical Attendant Visa during 2013, 2014 and 2015 is given below:

Country-wise foreigners arrival on medical & medical attendant visa 2013

NATIONALITY	MEDICAL ATTENDANT	MEDICAL VISA
AFGHANISTAN	3523	9482
ALBANIA	0	1
ANGOLA	3	3
ARGENTINA	1	6
AUSTRALIA	38	197
AUSTRIA	0	6
AZERBAIJAN	2	2
BAHAMAS	1	
BAHRAIN	115	114
BANGLADESH	17179	17814
BARBADOS	0	1
BELGIUM	2	12
BENIN	0	3
BRAZIL	3	23
BRUNEI	1	1
BULGARIA	6	10
BURKINA FASO	3	5
BURUNDI	4	12
CAMBODIA	70	73
CAMEROON	29	55
CANADA	66	149
CAPE VERDE ISLANDS	0	1
CHAD	8	6
CHILE	0	1
CHINA	5	6
COG(CONGO)	1	6
COLOMBIA	2	2
COMOROS	19	25
CONGO (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)	80	160
CUBA	1	1
CZECH	0	1
DENMARK	8	9
DJIBOUTI	125	191
EGYPT	11	20
EL SALVADOR	0	1
ERITREA	4	38
ETHIOPIA	232	384
FALKLAND ISLANDS (MALVINES)	0	1
FIJI	125	129
FINLAND	0	6
FRANCE	14	16

GABON	1	
GAMBIA	6	8
GEORGIA	3	11
GERMANY	24	35
GHANA	57	75
GUINEA	0	1
GUYANA	0	1
INDONESIA	41	31
IRAN	24	34
IRAQ	235	271
IRELAND	0	24
ISRAEL	0	49
ITALY	13	21
IVORY COST	0	2
JAMAICA	0	1
JAPAN	1	5
JORDAN	7	12
KAZAKHSTAN	39	68
KENYA	1429	1371
KIRIBATI	10	22
KOREA(DPR)	0	1
KOREA(REPUBLIC OF)	0	2
KUWAIT	10	8
KYRGHYZSTAN	3	1
LEBANON	1	3
LESOTHO	0	1
LIBERIA	2	9
LITHUANIA	1	4
MADAGASCAR	2	4
MALAWI	44	47
MALAYSIA	69	110
MALDIVES	3740	6743
MAURITANIA	0	1
MAURITIUS	352	268
MOLDOVA	0	2
MONGOLIA	4	12
MOROCCO	2	5
MOZAMBIQUE	36	54
MYANMAR	396	214
NAMIBIA	0	1
NAURU	11	20
NETHERLANDS	17	31
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	0	1
NEW ZEALAND	4	15
NICARAGUA	0	1
NIGER	14	19
NIGERIA	5615	7679
NORWAY	15	12
OMAN	1347	1634
PAKISTAN	1090	1372
PALESTINIAN	4	13

PAPUA NEW GUINEA	1	
PERSON OF UNSPECIFIED NATIONALITY	0	1
PHILLIPPINES	28	24
POLAND	8	11
PORTUGAL	2	3
QATAR	1	
REFUGEE	1	2
REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN	0	2
ROMANIA	0	1
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	19	26
RWANDA	37	53
SAO TOME AND PRINCIP	1	1
SAUDI ARABIA	188	200
SEYCHELLES	110	169
SIERRA LEONE	15	21
SINGAPORE	3	13
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	0	1
SOMALIA	62	129
SOUTH AFRICA	18	125
SOUTH SUDAN	57	98
SPAIN	3	8
SRI LANKA	703	1105
STATELESS	1	1
SUDAN	359	229
SWAZILAND	1	
SWEDEN	4	38
SWITZERLAND	11	8
SYRIA	15	22
TANZANIA	1075	1341
TAZIKISTAN	17	33
THAILAND	7	4
TOGO	2	1
TONGA	1	1
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	0	6
TUNISIA	1	2
TURKEY	8	8
TURKMENISTAN	0	1
TUVALU	4	6
UGANDA	65	83
UK BRITISH OVERSEES CITIZEN	1	
UKRAINE	3	3
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	87	140
UNITED KINGDOM	64	290
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	106	313
UZBEKISTAN	814	830
VIETNAM	1	
YEMEN	1725	1435
ZAMBIA	25	29
ZIMBABWE	13	10
TOTAL	42017	56129

Country-wise foreigners arrival on medical & medical attendant visa 2014

NATIONALITY	MEDICAL ATTENDANT	MEDICAL VISA
AFGHANISTAN	3508	7493
ANGOLA	3	33
ARGENTINA	0	6
ARMENIA	1	0
AUSTRALIA	43	295
AUSTRIA	0	5
AZERBAIJAN	7	7
BAHAMAS	4	1
BAHRAIN	211	154
BANGLADESH	28979	31313
BARBADOS	0	1
BELARUS	7	8
BELGIUM	0	16
BENIN	3	5
BHUTAN	0	1
BOTSWANA	0	2
BRAZIL	3	49
BULGARIA	8	21
BURKINA FASO	2	3
BURUNDI	60	131
CAMBODIA	79	105
CAMEROON	42	75
CANADA	99	183
CHAD	9	12
CHILE	0	2
CHINA	8	13
COG(CONGO)	7	7
COMOROS	20	33
CONGO (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)	61	139
CUBA	0	1
CYPRUS	0	2
CZECH	0	3
DENMARK	10	7
DJIBOUTI	110	179
ECUADOR	3	2
EGYPT	22	38
EL SALVADOR	0	4
ERITREA	7	89
ESTONIA	0	2
ETHIOPIA	352	540
FALKLAND ISLANDS (MALVINES)	0	1
FIJI	225	221
FINLAND	5	11
FRANCE	35	26
GABON	0	2

GAMBIA	3	4
GEORGIA	6	39
GERMANY	18	28
GHANA	111	130
GREECE	2	0
GUINEA	0	5
GUYANA	0	3
HONDURAS	1	0
INDONESIA	56	42
IRAN	19	39
IRAQ	319	439
IRELAND	4	60
ISRAEL	2	89
ITALY	10	22
IVORY COST	1	3
JAMAICA	1	1
JAPAN	0	11
JORDAN	27	35
KAZAKHSTAN	100	106
KENYA	2356	2263
KIRIBATI	26	38
KOREA(REPUBLIC OF)	2	11
KUWAIT	18	32
KYRGHYZSTAN	19	14
LATVIA	0	1
LEBANON	7	8
LESOTHO	0	3
LIBERIA	4	4
LIBYA	0	2
LIECHTENSTEIN	0	1
LITHUANIA	1	3
MACAU	1	0
MADAGASCAR	11	22
MALAWI	7	11
MALAYSIA	77	125
MALDIVES	985	1706
MALI	1	4
MALTA	0	2
MAURITANIA	1	5
MAURITIUS	600	462
MEXICO	0	5
MONGOLIA	139	196
MOROCCO	4	4
MOZAMBIQUE	61	159
MYANMAR	558	559
NAMIBIA	2	4
NAURU	18	15
NEPAL	2	0
NETHERLANDS	10	10
NEW ZEALAND	7	18
NIGER	23	21

NIGERIA	5805	7351
NORWAY	15	14
OMAN	2390	2937
PAKISTAN	2421	1811
PALESTINIAN	6	8
PANAMA	0	1
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	4	3
PERSON OF UNSPECIFIED NATIONALITY	5	12
PHILLIPPINES	33	27
POLAND	9	12
PORTUGAL	2	4
QATAR	0	1
REFUGEE	1	18
REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN	0	1
REPUBLIC OF CROATIA	0	2
ROMANIA	0	2
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	36	46
RWANDA	240	454
SAINT HELENA	1	1
SAINT LUCIA	0	2
SAO TOME AND PRINCIP	1	1
SAUDI ARABIA	421	602
SENEGAL	1	5
SERBIA	0	1
SEYCHELLES	16	19
SIERRA LEONE	14	28
SINGAPORE	10	15
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	0	1
SOMALIA	302	680
SOUTH AFRICA	43	108
SOUTH SUDAN	26	30
SPAIN	5	6
SRI LANKA	882	1345
STATELESS	0	4
SUDAN	785	550
SWAZILAND	0	2
SWEDEN	5	26
SWITZERLAND	5	10
SYRIA	19	10
TANZANIA	2545	3100
TAZIKISTAN	138	165
THAILAND	7	2
TOGO	2	4
TONGA	0	1
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	7	9
TUNISIA	2	0
TURKEY	12	6
TURKMENISTAN	2	9
TUVALU	32	33

UGANDA	457	539
UK BRITISH OVERSEES CITIZEN	3	3
UKRAINE	13	17
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	72	106
UNITED KINGDOM	113	383
UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION	1	3
UNITED NATIONS SPECIALIZED AGENCY	0	1
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	150	515
UZBEKISTAN	2212	2354
VANUATU	2	2
VENEZUELA	0	1
VIETNAM	0	1
YEMEN	4644	3933
ZAMBIA	149	171
ZIMBABWE	157	158
TOTAL	63776	75671

Country-wise foreigners arrival on medical & medical attendant visa 2015

NATIONALITY	MEDICAL ATTENDANT	MEDICAL VISA
AFGHANISTAN	7861	19644
ALAND ISLANDS	0	1
ALGERIA	2	2
ANGOLA	16	79
ANTIGUA AND BARBADOS	0	1
ARGENTINA	1	4
ARMENIA	1	3
AUSTRALIA	40	125
AUSTRIA	3	9
AZERBAIJAN	5	4
BAHAMAS	1	2
BAHRAIN	273	228
BANGLADESH	52354	68034
BARBADOS	0	1
BELARUS	2	3
BELGIUM	9	16
BENIN	1	3
BOTSWANA	4	9
BRAZIL	0	54
BULGARIA	9	21
BURKINA FASO	4	6
BURUNDI	64	107
CAMBODIA	129	153
CAMEROON	75	123
CANADA	75	189
CHAD	8	18
CHILE	0	1
CHINA	3	18
COG(CONGO)	2	1
COLOMBIA	0	2
COMOROS	19	43
CONGO (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)	78	138
COSTA RICA	0	2
CYPRUS	2	2
CZECH	1	3
DENMARK	12	8
DJIBOUTI	124	188
EAST TIMOR (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)	0	1
EGYPT	38	40
ERITREA	16	69
ETHIOPIA	605	898
FIJI	257	245
FINLAND	5	5
FRANCE	17	39
GABON	0	3
GAMBIA	21	32

GEORGIA	4	27
GERMANY	14	38
GHANA	63	82
GUINEA	3	7
GUYANA	0	1
HAITI	0	2
ICELAND	4	2
INDONESIA	73	82
IRAN	38	39
IRAQ	5722	5656
IRELAND	8	73
ISRAEL	10	59
ITALY	10	26
JAMAICA	2	2
JAPAN	2	9
JORDAN	24	21
KAZAKHSTAN	114	121
KENYA	3263	3137
KIRIBATI	2	0
KOREA(REPUBLIC OF)	0	9
KUWAIT	66	108
KYRGHYZSTAN	46	45
LATVIA	0	2
LEBANON	8	14
LESOTHO	0	1
LIBERIA	4	11
LIBYA	7	13
LITHUANIA	1	3
MACAU	1	0
MADAGASCAR	36	50
MALAWI	12	17
MALAYSIA	49	114
MALDIVES	704	1132
MALI	1	2
MALTA	0	1
MAURITANIA	2	0
MAURITIUS	647	527
MEXICO	2	3
MOLDOVA	0	1
MONACO	1	0
MONGOLIA	126	150
MOROCCO	10	12
MOZAMBIQUE	233	314
MYANMAR	638	716
NAMIBIA	3	3
NETHERLANDS	18	38
NEW ZEALAND	2	34
NIGER	19	36
NIGERIA	4877	5765
NORWAY	11	15
OMAN	3580	4728

PAKISTAN	1816	1816
PALESTINIAN	24	17
PANAMA	0	1
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	5	8
PERSON OF UNSPECIFIED NATIONALITY	12	13
PHILLIPPINES	44	33
POLAND	4	3
PORTUGAL	3	16
QATAR	12	14
REFUGEE	1	17
REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN	0	4
REPUBLIC OF CROATIA	1	2
REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA	0	1
RESIDENT OF KOSOVO (UNMIK)	0	1
ROMANIA	0	1
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	51	77
RWANDA	284	508
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS	0	1
SAINT HELENA	0	2
SAINT LUCIA	1	1
SAUDI ARABIA	758	897
SENEGAL	3	5
SERBIA	2	4
SEYCHELLES	3	2
SIERRA LEONE	16	32
SINGAPORE	9	37
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	1	1
SOMALIA	1140	1932
SOUTH AFRICA	88	117
SOUTH SUDAN	158	243
SPAIN	10	5
SRI LANKA	1096	1933
STATELESS	2	4
SUDAN	1106	763
SWAZILAND	0	1
SWEDEN	9	15
SWITZERLAND	10	23
SYRIA	46	44
TANZANIA	2815	3352
TAZIKISTAN	268	319
THAILAND	21	3
TOGO	2	1
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	4	7
TUNISIA	3	1
TURKEY	7	19
TURKMENISTAN	2	23
TUVALU	24	24
UGANDA	502	563
UK BRITISH	0	1

NATIONAL(OVERSEES)		
UK BRITISH OVERSEES CITIZEN	3	5
UK BRITISH SUBJECT	0	1
UKRAINE	11	19
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	81	77
UNITED KINGDOM	122	487
UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION	1	2
UNITED NATIONS SPECIALIZED AGENCY	2	0
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	140	475
UZBEKISTAN	2992	3406
VANUATU	2	2
VENEZUELA	1	1
YEMEN	2741	2550
ZAMBIA	245	300
ZIMBABWE	273	287
TOTAL	99574	134344