

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.387**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018

**REGISTRATION FOR ECR PASSPORT HOLDERS**

387. SHRI JAGADAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise data of the number of Emigration Check Required (ECR) passport holders that have travelled to any of the six Gulf Cooperation Council nations for taking up jobs there in the past three years;
- (b) whether there has been a decrease in the number of ECR passport holders travelling to the Gulf Cooperation Council nations since the introduction of the e-migrate website in 2015; and
- (e) if so, the details therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) A statement showing the State-wise number of ECR passport holder emigrants granted emigration clearance for overseas employment in the six GCC countries during the past three years is annexed.

(b) & (c) Yes, as per the data captured in e-Migrate system, the number of emigration clearances granted to Indian Emigration Check Required (ECR) passport holding workers going to Gulf countries for employment has come down compared to the corresponding numbers in the year 2015.

However, a large number of Indian nationals holding ECR passports reportedly travel to the Gulf countries on tourist visa and get their visas converted to employment visa, thereby bypassing the e-Migrate system. These numbers as well as the number of Non ECR passport holders going to the ECR countries for employment are not reflected in the e-Migrate emigration clearance data. As per the information received from the Indian Missions in these countries, the number of Indian workers in the Gulf countries has gone up in the year 2017 compared to the corresponding numbers in 2015 except Kuwait, where the number has come down. A comparative statement showing the number of Indian workers in the Gulf countries in the years 2015 and 2017 is given below:

Name of Countries	Number of Indian workers in Gulf	
	2015	2017
Kuwait	70765	38871

Bahrain	210081	227239
KSA	293000	305000
Qatar	650000	691539
UAE	206000	303000
Oman	669882	688226

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## ANNEXURE

State-wise, Country- wise Emigration Clearances (ECs) obtained by RAs and Direct Recruitment by FEs for Year (2015)								
SNo	STATE	UAE	Saudi Arabia	Kuwait	Qatar	Oman	Bahrain	Total
1	CHANDIGARH	171	104	50	54	45	19	443
2	CHHATTISGARH	63	103	17	17	28	0	228
3	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	4	3	1	0	2	0	10
4	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	10	8	4	3	2	1	28
5	ANDHRA PRADESH	12034	8935	15893	2615	4150	1017	44914
6	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	5	4	1	2	1	1	14
7	ASSAM	493	2936	622	99	110	21	4281
8	BIHAR	32578	43189	3960	10370	15307	1315	106719
9	DAMAN & DIU	4	2	2	5	0	0	13
10	DELHI	636	1192	180	172	244	44	2468
11	GOA	279	195	544	47	87	30	1182
12	GUJARAT	2000	1382	538	905	1864	106	6795
13	HARYANA	852	684	236	245	168	48	2233
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH	393	276	122	236	120	15	1162
15	JAMMU & KASHMIR	317	3283	800	186	84	36	4706
16	JHARKHAND	2058	3443	421	608	764	98	7392
17	KARNATAKA	3339	4702	1011	956	1633	226	11867
18	KERALA	13800	12388	2859	4380	7710	1618	42755
19	LAKSHADWEEP	3	0	0	1	0	0	4
20	MADHYA PRADESH	318	1094	400	48	149	14	2023
21	MAHARASHTRA	4198	5510	1452	2301	1476	280	15217
22	MANIPUR	7	16	1	1	0	2	27
23	MEGHALAYA	4	4	0	3	0	0	11
24	MIZORAM	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
25	NAGALAND	1	11	1	0	0	0	13
26	ORISSA	6747	2280	1381	1546	2815	300	15069
27	PONDICHERY	137	83	98	23	45	12	398
28	PUNJAB	25518	4242	4221	5420	3477	1503	44381
29	RAJASTHAN	15003	16264	4456	4267	4720	1215	45925
30	SIKKIM	9	0	0	2	1	0	12
31	TAMIL NADU	23284	14443	7573	4899	8704	1552	60455
32	TELANGANA	13298	10779	1658	1772	6578	2011	36096
33	TRIPURA	160	1139	759	23	28	4	2113
34	UTTAR PRADESH	55312	128925	12383	13810	21111	3417	234958
35	UTTARAKHAND	910	3081	171	155	359	75	4751
36	WEST BENGAL	11773	37678	4764	4213	3272	643	62343
	<b>Total</b>	<b>225718</b>	<b>308380</b>	<b>66579</b>	<b>59384</b>	<b>85054</b>	<b>15623</b>	<b>760738</b>

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FEs for Year (2016)								
SNo	STATE	UAE	Saudi Arabia	Kuwait	Qatar	Oman	Bahrain	Total
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	4	7	2	1	3	0	17
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	5771	3571	13232	612	2827	561	26574
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	0	0	2	1	0	3
4	ASSAM	575	2284	853	61	76	6	3855
5	BIHAR	25571	24005	7827	6371	10589	1117	75480
6	CHANDIGARH	57	38	62	18	27	12	214
7	CHHATTISGARH	57	59	21	15	26	7	185
8	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	2	2	0	1	2	1	8
9	DAMAN & DIU	19	3	3	4	2	1	32
10	DELHI	413	862	199	83	155	32	1744
11	GOA	173	101	393	36	120	10	833
12	GUJARAT	1153	710	587	523	1405	118	4496
13	HARYANA	642	532	279	120	153	52	1778
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH	277	153	133	101	84	19	767
15	JAMMU & KASHMIR	231	3032	890	113	48	18	4332
16	JHARKHAND	1430	1703	556	297	595	51	4632
17	KARNATAKA	1737	1761	902	522	1384	117	6423
18	KERALA	6314	8561	2331	892	6309	555	24962
19	LAKSHADWEEP	3	1	0	0	0	0	4
20	MADHYA PRADESH	222	587	371	27	107	7	1321
21	MAHARASHTRA	2990	2739	1527	1431	1448	228	10363
22	MANIPUR	2	10	2	0	1	1	16
23	MEGHALAYA	4	4	0	0	0	1	9
24	MIZORAM	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
25	NAGALAND	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
26	ORISSA	5374	1761	2205	1053	1424	213	12030
27	PONDICHERY	92	41	89	6	24	4	256
28	PUNJAB	17142	3000	4095	3255	2268	1002	30762
29	RAJASTHAN	14254	7455	5295	1742	4903	1380	35029
30	SIKKIM	1	4	2	1	1	3	12
31	TAMIL NADU	16831	5700	5765	2190	6642	624	37752
32	TELANGANA	10776	4933	1828	768	4006	2343	24654
33	TRIPURA	450	1341	923	12	26	4	2756
34	UTTAR PRADESH	41210	59801	15480	6603	15654	2734	141482
35	UTTARAKHAND	545	1929	241	101	395	33	3244
36	WEST BENGAL	9393	28664	6291	3658	2531	710	51247
	<b>Total</b>	<b>163716</b>	<b>165355</b>	<b>72384</b>	<b>30619</b>	<b>63236</b>	<b>11964</b>	<b>507274</b>

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SNo	STATE	UAE	Saudi Arabia	Kuwait	Qatar	Oman	Bahrain	Total
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	6	1	4	1	0	0	12
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	3575	1303	9513	620	1643	484	17138
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	ASSAM	364	1240	788	29	101	11	2533
5	BIHAR	32096	14832	5895	5132	8749	1618	68322
6	CHANDIGARH	63	13	31	8	6	6	127
7	CHHATTISGARH	50	34	12	7	11	6	120
8	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	4	1	0	0	3	0	8
9	DAMAN & DIU	14	1	1	4	4	1	25
10	DELHI	377	414	184	64	122	27	1188
11	GOA	131	62	369	32	60	9	663
12	GUJARAT	916	424	572	417	1717	148	4194
13	HARYANA	625	254	263	80	127	48	1397
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH	302	103	123	41	46	32	647
15	JAMMU & KASHMIR	252	1075	589	86	57	7	2066
16	JHARKHAND	1129	912	538	290	473	143	3485
17	KARNATAKA	1617	1064	901	561	856	145	5144
18	KERALA	3342	4942	1888	1000	4612	553	16337
19	LAKSHADWEEP	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
20	MADHYA PRADESH	149	335	372	20	90	15	981
21	MAHARASHTRA	2116	1417	1272	1461	1180	241	7687
22	MANIPUR	6	10	0	1	1	0	18
23	MEGHALAYA	5	2	0	0	0	1	8
24	MIZORAM	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
25	NAGALAND	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
26	ORISSA	4716	890	1690	1009	1842	683	10830
27	PONDICHERRY	97	24	98	5	33	12	269
28	PUNJAB	16530	1579	3219	2007	1811	1303	26449
29	RAJASTHAN	14326	5133	4332	1582	5641	900	31914
30	SIKKIM	4	0	0	1	0	1	6
31	TAMIL NADU	15397	3003	5876	1242	5931	634	32083
32	TELANGANA	8137	1855	1217	711	3742	1578	17240
33	TRIPURA	287	335	502	16	41	2	1183
34	UTTAR PRADESH	32609	23300	11696	5329	10986	2253	86173
35	UTTARAKHAND	425	965	244	82	370	29	2115
36	WEST BENGAL	10110	13032	4191	2921	3075	626	33955
	<b>Total</b>	<b>149780</b>	<b>78557</b>	<b>56380</b>	<b>24759</b>	<b>53332</b>	<b>11516</b>	<b>374324</b>

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