GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †4990

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 23RD JULY, 2019/ SHRAVANA 1, 1941 (SAKA)

VISA ON ARRIVAL

†4990. SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL: SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of countries to whom 'Visa on arrival' facility have been provided by India;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase it;
- (c) whether number of tourist footfall have increased in the year 2018 as compared to 2017; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

- (a) & (b): Visa on Arrival facility has been provided to the nationals of Japan and South Korea for business, tourism, conference and medical purposes. There is no proposal at present to extend this facility to another country. However, e-Visa facility has been extended to nationals of 167 countries.
- (c) & (d): 54,34,687 tourists arrived in India on Tourist Visa in 2018 as compared to 53,17,818 in 2017.
