

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1756
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2022**

STUDENT STUDYING IN UK

†1756. SHRI RAKESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been an increase in the number of students going to study in Universities/colleges of the UK;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last 3 years and the current year;**
- (c) whether Government of the UK is reportedly contemplating to ban foreign students and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the said ban is likely to affect Indian students studying in UK Universities/colleges;**
- (e) if so, whether the Government has held any discussions with the UK Government in this regard; and**
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)**

(a) & (b) There has been a consistent increase in the number of Indian students studying in the UK. As per the information registered with Bureau of Immigration, while in 2019, 36,612 Indian students went to UK, this number went up to 44,901 in 2020 and 77,855 in 2021. In current year, 120,987 Indian students have gone to UK for studies until October.

(c) to (f) The Government of India keeps itself abreast of all issues which may affect the well-being of Indians abroad, particularly the students. The Government is not aware of any ban being contemplated by the Government of the UK.