GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.497 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2022

INDIA'S ADVISORY TO UKRAINE STUDENTS

†497. SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:

SHRI ARUN SAO:

SHRI RANJEET SINGH HINDURAO NAIK NIMBALKAR:

SHRI VIJAY BAGHEL:

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SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be please to state:

- (a) whether a large number of Indian students are studying in Ukraine despite advisory issued by the Government of India in view of Ukraine Russia war;
- (b) if so, the number of the Indian students and other citizens of India who are still living in Ukraine and other war affected areas, State/UT-wise, including Chhattisgarh;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any measures for safety of the said people; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SMT. MEENAKSHI LEKHI)

(a) to (d) The Indian Mission in Kyiv issued an Advisory on 25 October 2022 advising all Indian citizens to immediately leave Ukraine by available means. While most of the Indian students pursuing medical education in Ukraine have returned to India since the conflict began, around 1100 Indian students and about 90 other Indian citizens are still in Ukraine. Given the situation in Ukraine, the number of Indian citizens there keeps changing.

The Indian Mission in Kyiv, in its Advisory also provided information about available options to Indian citizens for crossing borders and it remains in touch with our nationals in Ukraine to provide help, when required.