## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 700

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 07<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2023/ MAGHA 18, 1944 (SAKA)

GRANT OF TOURIST VISA

700. SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL:
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of countries whose nationals were granted tourist visa as on date;
- (b) the number of countries whose nationals have been given tourist visa on arrival;
- (c) whether the Government has received any requests from any country seeking grant of tourist visa and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to grant tourist visa to more countries; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **ANSWER**

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

(a) From 2011 to 01.02.2023, nationals of 235 countries/dominions have been issued regular Tourist Visa. e-Tourist Visa has been granted to the nationals of 171 countries since its inception on 24.11.2014. Presently, e-Tourist Visa is granted to the nationals of 165 countries.

- (b) Visa-on-Arrival facility for tourism is available to the nationals of three countries i.e. Japan, South Korea and UAE.
- (c) No such request for grant of Tourist Visa has been received from any country.
- (d) & (e) Presently, there is no proposal to grant Tourist Visa to more countries.

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