

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1258
ANSWERED ON- 09/02/2024**

EVACUATION OF INDIANS

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the total number of students/persons evacuated from other countries to India during COVID, Russia-Ukraine War and others wars, State-wise; and**
- (b) the total expenditure incurred by Government on their evacuations?**

ANSWER

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

(a & b) Vande Bharat Mission: 3.20 crore people (disembarkation-1.60 crore & embarkation 1.60 crore) have been facilitated during COVID under “Vande Bhart Mission” including the Air Bubble arrangements till March 2022. A total of Rs. 22.54 crore was spent (Rs. 15.59 crore for arranging special chartered flights and Rs. 6.95 crore on air passage of individual Indian nationals on need basis) from Indian Community and Welfare Fund (ICWF) through Indian Missions/Posts abroad during Vande Bharat Mission.

Operation Devi Shakti: A total of 669 individuals have been evacuated from Afghanistan under “Operation Devi Shakti” by 6 IAF and Air India flights. This comprises 448 Indians and 206 Afghans, which includes members of the Afghan Hindu/Sikh community and 15 foreign nationals.

Operation Ganga:

18,282 Indian nationals mainly students were brought back to India from Ukraine at Government of India's cost by 90 flights, of which 76 were commercial flights and 14 IAF flights in February and March 2022.

Operation Kaveri: 4,097 people (including 136 foreigners) were brought back to India from Sudan with the help of 18 IAF sorties, 5 trips of Indian Navy ships and 20 commercial flights at Government of India's cost under "Operation Kaveri". This includes 108 Indian nationals moved through Sudan's land borders with Chad, Egypt, Ethiopia and South Sudan.

Operation Ajay: So far, a total of 1343 people including 1309 Indian nationals, 14 OCI card holders and 20 Nepalese have returned to India from Israel in 6 special flights under Operation Ajay at Government of India's cost.

State/UT-wise details available with the Ministry are placed at Annexure-I.

ANNEXURE-I**DETAILS OF PASSENGERS (OUTBOUND AND INBOUND) WHO HAVE TRAVELED ON VANDE BHARAT MISSION DURING 2020-21 AND 2021-22****(in numbers)***

STATE	EMBARKED	DISEMBARKED
A & N island	13	13
Andhra Pradesh	7561	118897
Assam	35	349
Bihar	1573	12525
Chandigarh	11610	17571
Delhi	5033140	4653599
Goa	67389	75403
Gujarat	415118	411018
Jammu & Kashmir	7247	4587
Karnataka	991406	967669
Kerala	3654171	3732727
Madhya Pradesh	4102	3797
Maharashtra	2483462	1952571
Manipur	12	19
Odisha	723	5425
Puducherry	1	-
Punjab	287657	242611
Rajasthan	132290	168896
Tamil Nadu	1436967	1588072
Telangana	943575	1045397
Uttar Pradesh	373677	687428
West Bengal	234420	252541
Grand Total	16086149	15941115

*** Vande Bharat Mission came to an end on 26.03.2022 with the resumption of scheduled international commercial passenger services to/from India on 27.03.2022.**

STATE-WISE LIST OF PEOPLE EVACUATED
UNDER OPERATION GANGA

S. No.	State / Union Territory	Number of People
1	Andaman & Nicobar Island	4
2	Andhra Pradesh	682
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1
4	Assam	53
5	Bihar	1003
6	Chandigarh	52
7	Chhattisgarh	210
8	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	5
9	Daman & Diu	5
10	Delhi	681
11	Goa	18
12	Gujarat	1020
13	Haryana	1436
14	Himachal Pradesh	289
15	Jammu & Kashmir	128
16	Jharkhand	158
17	Karnataka	615
18	Kerala	3343
19	Lakshadweep	4
20	Madhya Pradesh	412
21	Maharashtra	1025
22	Manipur	23
23	Meghalaya	40
24	Mizoram	1
25	Nagaland	4
26	Odisha	397
27	Puducherry	28
28	Punjab	609
29	Rajasthan	934
30	Sikkim	26
31	Tamil Nadu	1479
32	Telangana	667
33	Tripura	32
34	Uttar Pradesh	1917
35	Uttarakhand	257
36	West Bengal	343
37	State name not available	272
	TOTAL	18282

STATE-WISE LIST OF PEOPLE EVACUATED
UNDER OPERATION KAVERI

S. No.	States	Number of People
1	Andhra Pradesh	106
2	Assam	13
3	Bihar	370
4	Chandigarh	1
5	Chhattisgarh	3
6	Delhi	27
7	Gujarat	492
8	Haryana	39
9	Himachal Pradesh	25
10	Jammu and Kashmir	1
11	Jharkhand	62
12	Karnataka	418
13	Kerala	172
14	Madhya Pradesh	20
15	Maharashtra	337
16	Manipur	1
17	Nagaland	3
18	Odisha	86
19	Punjab	62
20	Puducherry	7
21	Rajasthan	87
22	Tamil Nadu	244
23	Telangana	129
24	Uttar Pradesh	800
25	Uttarakhand	24
26	West Bengal	52
27	State name not available	234
	<i>Total Indian Citizens</i>	<i>3961</i>
	Foreign Nationals (British- 3 + Sudanese-124 + Nepalese – 9)	136
	GRAND TOTAL (3961 + 136)	4097

STATE-WISE LIST OF PEOPLE BROUGHT BACK
UNDER OPERATION AJAY

S. No.	State	Number of People
1	Andhra Pradesh	45
2	Assam	20
3	Bihar	29
4	Chhattisgarh	6
5	Delhi	36
6	Goa	3
7	Gujarat	34
8	Haryana	28
9	Himachal Pradesh	18
10	Jammu & Kashmir	9
11	Jharkhand	13
12	Karnataka	39
13	Kerala	121
14	Madhya Pradesh	14
15	Maharashtra	108
16	Manipur	23
17	Meghalaya	2
18	Mizoram	1
19	Nagaland	2
20	Odisha	20
21	Punjab	9
22	Rajasthan	33
23	Sikkim	11
24	Tamil Nadu	131
25	Telangana	70
26	Uttar Pradesh	145
27	Uttarakhand	14
28	West Bengal	248
29	State name not available	77
	TOTAL INDIAN CITIZENS	1309
	OCI Card holders (14) & Nepalese (20)	34
	GRAND TOTAL (1309 + 34)	1343
