

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.615
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.09.2020**

INDIANS REPATRIATED UNDER VANDE BHARAT

615. SHRI SUNIL BABURAO MENDHE:

SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY:

SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of passengers who were repatriated to India under the Vande Bharat Mission from various countries;
- (b) whether India was approached by other countries for evacuation of their respective nationals from other countries;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of countries which were provided COVID-19 related help by India;
- (e) the details of assistance provided by India and the expenditure incurred in such assistances; and
- (f) whether India received any kind of COVID-19 related assistance from other countries till now and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]**

(a) As on 11 September 2020, more than 13,85,670 Indians have returned to India under the Vande Bharat Mission from various countries.

(b) & (c) At the request of foreign governments, the Ministry of External Affairs facilitated the evacuation of their nationals via land border from neighbourhood countries including Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Myanmar to India for boarding repatriation flights back to their country. In all, India assisted in the repatriation of more than 1,10,000 nationals from over 120 countries who were stranded in India during the lockdown period.

(d) & (e) India provided medical assistance in the form of medicines and medical equipment to over 150 countries, including grants-in-aid valued at around Rupees 80 crore to 79 countries. A list of these countries is attached at **Annexure I**. The Ministry of External Affairs assisted foreign governments with approvals for the export of essential medicines in the fight against COVID-19. In addition, in response to requests, India sent Rapid Response Medical teams to help countries in their fight against the pandemic.

(f) India received assistance from a few countries, including Japan, USA, France, Germany and Israel in the form of medical equipment and grants-in-aid.

Annexure-I to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 615

LIST OF COUNTRIES TO WHICH INDIA PROVIDED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE DURING COVID-19

COUNTRY

1. Afghanistan
2. Bhutan
3. Bangladesh
4. Nepal
5. Maldives
6. Myanmar
7. Seychelles
8. Mauritius
9. Comoros
10. Madagascar
11. Tajikistan
12. Armenia
13. Egypt
14. Kazakhstan
15. Kyrgyzstan
16. Ukraine
17. Uzbekistan
18. Syria
19. Burkina Faso
20. Niger
21. Mali
22. D R Congo
23. Uganda
24. Zimbabwe
25. Eswatini
26. Zambia
27. Equatorial Guinea
28. Senegal
29. Guinea Bissau
30. Cabo Verde
31. Nigeria
32. Liberia
33. Benin
34. Mozambique
35. Ethiopia
36. Malawi
37. Namibia
38. Kenya
39. Chad
40. Sierra Leone
41. Republic of Congo
42. Guinea
43. Gambia
44. Antigua and Barbuda
45. Bahamas
46. Barbados
47. Dominica
48. Grenada

49. Guyana
50. Haiti
51. St. Kitts & Nevis
52. St. Lucia
53. Paraguay
54. Belize
55. Costa Rica
56. Dominican Republic
57. St. Vincent & the Grenadines
58. El Salvador
59. Honduras
60. Nicaragua
61. Panama
62. Guatemala
63. Ecuador
64. Bolivia
65. Cuba
66. Peru
67. Venezuela
68. Suriname
69. Trinidad & Tobago
70. Jamaica
71. Moldova
72. Palestine
73. Lebanon
74. Djibouti
75. Lao PDR
76. China
77. Iran
78. Italy
79. Israel
