

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No.4773
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.03.2021

VISA SCHEME

4773. SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government is considering to create a special visa scheme for the doctors and nurses to travel to neighbouring countries in case of emergencies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the countries for which special visa to doctors and nurses will be granted?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) The Prime Minister addressed a workshop on "Covid-19 Management: Experience, Good Practices and Way Forward" with health leaders, experts and officials of 10 neighbouring countries viz. Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Mauritius, Nepal, Pakistan, Seychelles, Sri Lanka along with Indian officials and experts, on 18 February 2021. During the address, Prime Minister suggested to the participants for creating a special visa scheme for doctors and nurses, so that they can travel quickly within the region during health emergencies, on the request of the receiving country.
