

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3763
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.03.2022**

INDIAN STUDENTS IN BELARUS

3763. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and number of Indian students studying in Belarus;**
- (b) whether the students from Belarus sought assistance of the Government of India to return to India and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the number of students who have returned to India from Belarus as on date;**
- (d) whether the Universities in Belarus are not granting long spell of leave to the students and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[SMT. MEENAKASHI LEKHI]**

(a) As per the updated records of the Indian Embassy in Belarus , there are 941 Indian students estimated to be studying in Belarus. The distribution of students in various Universities is as follows.

Sl.no.	Name of the University	No. of students
1.	Belarusian State Medical University	405
2.	Gomel State Medical University	284
3	Grodno State Medical University	146
4.	Vitebsk State Medical University	86
5.	Belaursian State Technological University	15
6.	Belarusian National Technical University	05

(b) & (c) Some Indian students studying in Belarus as well as their parents have requested for return to India. The Indian Embassy in Belarus is in touch with them. The situation in Belarus remains stable. There are commercial flights operating from Belarus at present and some students may have returned through these flights. Ministry is also in touch with Ministry of Civil

Aviation for operation of non-scheduled charter flights to Belarus by private airlines.

(d) The Embassy of India in Belarus took up the matter with the concerned Universities as well as with the Ministry of Public Health of Belarus. The University administration as well as the Ministry of Public Health have conveyed that it would not be possible to grant long spell of leave as this would adversely impact the academic progress of the students.
