

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4973
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.04.2022**

INDIANS REPATRIATED UNDER VANDE BHARAT MISSION

4973. SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether many students go abroad to study different subjects and if so, the details thereof during each of the last five years and the current year, country- wise and State/UT- wise including Bihar;
- (b) the number of students studying medicine and engineering abroad, country- wise, stream- wise; and
- (c) the number of Indians repatriated from foreign countries under Vande Bharat Mission during the last five years and the current year, State/ UT- wise including Bihar?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
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(a) & (b) Sizeable number of Indian students go abroad for studies. As per the information received from Bureau of Immigration (BoI), the total number of students, including from Bihar who proceeded abroad for studies during the last five years are as follows:

Sl No.	Calendar Year	No. of students
1.	2017	4,54,009
2.	2018	5,17,998
3.	2019	5,86,337
4.	2020	2,59,655
5.	2021	4,44,553
6.	2022 (up to 20.03.2022)	1,33,135

The country-wise details of number of Indians who disclosed their purpose of visit as "study" while going abroad from 2017 to 2022 (till 20.03.2022) is placed at **Annexure-I**.

(c) Vande Bharat Mission (VBM) was launched on 7 May 2020 to repatriate stranded and distressed Indian nationals in various parts of the

world due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As on 21 March 2022, 3.09 crore passengers including from Bihar (in-bound and out- bound) have been facilitated in the flights operated under the VBM and Air Bubble Arrangements.

DESTINATION-WISE (COUNTRY) STATISTICS OF INDIAN NATIONALS WHO DISCLOSED THEIR PURPOSE AS STUDY/EDUCATION WHILE GOING ABROAD FOR : 2017 - 2022 (UPTO 20.03.2022)						
COUNTRY	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 (TILL 20.03.2022)
AFGHANISTAN	31	35	39	10	10	1
ALAND ISLANDS	1	2	0	0	2	0
ALBANIA	2	7	7	2	335	11
ALGERIA	2	1	2	0	2	0
AMERICAN SAMOA	0	0	2	1	0	0
ANDORRA	7	16	19	8	12	9
ANGOLA	7	1	6	1	1	2
ANGUILLA	0	1	1	1	2	1
ANTARTICA	1	0	0	1	1	0
ANTIGUA AND BARBADOS	9	25	46	28	8	17
ARGENTINA	19	16	24	7	28	1
ARMENIA	829	1297	1810	534	2796	289
ARUBA	7	12	14	7	7	3
AUSTRALIA	43934	63670	73808	33629	8950	14176
AUSTRIA	439	456	457	192	353	96
AZERBAIJAN	32	100	112	37	35	14
BAHAMAS	27	64	54	8	19	10
BAHRAIN	569	326	234	46	38	22
BANGLADESH	5633	10153	13412	5479	10493	2516
BARBADOS	254	164	100	40	24	19
BELARUS	446	576	730	524	641	38
BELGIUM	507	503	648	355	605	97
BELIZE	41	227	142	19	19	16
BENIN	1	2	4	0	7	0
BERMUDA	31	61	10	0	2	0
BHUTAN	49	43	52	6	0	2
BOLIVIA	3	1	6	0	0	0
BOSNIA	7	15	7	6	7	12
BOTSWANA	15	21	8	6	2	2
BOUVET ISLAND	1	0	0	0	0	0
BRAZIL	92	95	85	24	24	13
BRITISH INDIAN OCEAN TERRITORY	0	0	8	2	1	0
BRUNEI	46	28	20	8	1	3
BULGARIA	185	234	224	53	133	33
BURKINA FASO	0	1	2	0	0	2
BURUNDI	0	0	1	0	0	0
CAMBODIA	126	288	133	54	42	15
CAMEROON	27	28	35	8	28	10
CANADA	80384	102720	132620	43624	102688	19660

CAPE VERDE ISLANDS	12	6	14	4	10	0
CAYMAN ISLANDS	1	2	2	0	3	0
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	1	0	0	0	0	0
CHAD	41	50	27	0	1	1
CHILE	107	77	61	6	10	2
CHINA	18084	20619	19170	398	3	0
CHRISTMAS ISLANDS	1	2	2	0	0	1
COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS	1	1	0	0	0	0
COG(CONGO)	8	4	6	2	2	1
COLOMBIA	20	16	19	0	4	2
COMOROS	3	0	2	0	0	0
CONGO (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)	3	1	0	0	0	0
COSTA RICA	6	9	7	3	14	0
CUBA	3	2	2	1	0	0
CYPRUS	2641	2324	3528	1511	162	81
CZECH	525	518	651	314	512	180
DENMARK	531	521	520	253	341	123
DJIBOUTI	6	2	1	4	0	0
DOMINICA	3	7	4	0	0	0
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	2	8	1	2	0	0
EAST TIMOR (DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF)	14	8	7	4	2	5
ECUADOR	13	11	5	2	0	2
EGYPT	365	413	440	188	519	39
EL SALVADOR	0	1	5	0	0	0
ERITREA	5	1	3	0	5	0
ESTONIA	80	106	129	50	94	10
ETHIOPIA	28	12	11	4	38	3
FALKLAND ISLANDS (MALVINES)	14	15	3	0	3	3
FAROE ISLANDS	0	0	1	1	0	0
FIJI	78	9	18	6	3	1
FINLAND	212	182	243	80	133	52
FRANCE	5637	7023	8495	4333	5293	1210
FRANCE METROPOLITAN	2	3	1	1	2	1
FRENCH GUIANA	2	0	1	0	0	0
FRENCH POLYNESIA	1	0	0	0	0	1
GABON	11	35	28	6	3	5
GAMBIA	2	3	0	0	2	0
GEORGIA	3458	4804	4148	1724	2599	592
GERMANY	12596	14299	18034	9865	16259	3128
GHANA	20	19	18	4	14	6
GIBRALTAR	4	8	5	4	4	2
GREECE	184	168	203	87	62	54
GREENLAND	0	1	1	0	1	0
GRENADA	11	15	27	7	16	5
GUADELOUPE	1	0	1	2	0	0

GUATEMALA	1	1	0	0	0	1
GUINEA	8	11	7	8	3	5
GUINEA BISSAU	0	0	0	0	0	1
GUYANA	125	183	200	10	104	80
HAITI	14	12	7	5	3	2
HEARD AND MCDONALD ISLANDS	0	3	3	1	0	1
HONDURAS	4	7	1	2	0	0
HONG KONG	1333	1465	1646	563	198	3
HUNGARY	380	513	440	243	304	38
ICELAND	38	67	61	16	23	10
INDONESIA	251	302	273	77	11	23
IRAN	817	1016	737	186	600	194
IRAQ	96	100	78	17	65	20
IRELAND	3362	5089	6671	3272	4869	1101
ISRAEL	1010	1092	1268	460	639	209
ITALY	4174	4482	4791	3211	3008	615
IVORY COST	3	5	4	1	2	0
JAMAICA	50	81	112	55	112	42
JAPAN	1695	1856	1761	552	193	60
JERSEY	0	0	1	0	0	2
JORDAN	26	26	32	2	11	7
KAZAKHSTAN	3775	4596	6080	937	5625	1465
KENYA	320	309	312	40	155	29
KIRIBATI	0	4	2	0	2	1
KOREA(DPR)	22	19	15	9	7	5
KOREA(REPUBLIC OF)	1406	1194	1180	526	631	353
KUWAIT	815	487	421	33	24	13
KYRGYZSTAN	8986	12199	12942	865	15162	1806
LAOS	7	8	4	2	3	1
LATVIA	853	1335	1464	539	537	263
LEBANON	7	16	13	2	4	0
LESOTHO	1	0	2	0	1	0
LIBERIA	0	4	3	2	3	0
LIBYA	0	1	0	0	1	0
LIECHTENSTEIN	2	2	3	1	1	0
LITHUANIA	571	379	398	227	355	97
LUXEMBOURG	42	36	48	21	53	8
MACAU	41	37	34	4	3	0
MACEDONIA	4	5	3	0	0	1
MADAGASCAR	5	3	1	0	0	0
MALAWI	29	29	21	4	7	4
MALAYSIA	3217	3668	4090	1121	567	389
MALDIVES	81	92	132	59	384	47
MALI	4	3	2	1	1	2
MALTA	200	299	540	250	222	41
MARSHALL ISLANDS	4	0	0	0	0	0
MARTINIQUE	1	0	0	0	0	0

MAURITANIA	15	27	28	9	11	5
MAURITIUS	806	1168	1590	956	827	500
MAYOTTE	0	0	1	0	1	0
MEXICO	74	66	50	13	1068	20
MICRONESIA (FEDERATED STATES OF)	5	1	0	1	0	0
MOLDOVA	207	259	385	155	318	65
MONACO	0	0	0	0	1	1
MONGOLIA	3	5	2	1	1	1
MONTENEGRO	2	2	5	3	6	1
MOROCCO	14	12	19	2	3	0
MOZAMBIQUE	6	3	8	1	0	4
MYANMAR	36	29	43	13	6	3
NAMIBIA	46	56	40	7	10	10
NAURU	5	1	4	1	1	1
NEPAL	1122	1072	909	221	379	57
NETHERLANDS	2100	2352	2593	1335	2006	300
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	45	59	73	18	20	1
NEUTRAL ZONE	0	1	2	1	2	1
NEW CALEDONIA	77	74	71	19	0	0
NEW ZEALAND	9915	9502	10297	5321	64	51
NICARAGUA	5	4	4	2	0	0
NIGER	2	4	0	1	1	0
NIGERIA	39	32	28	8	15	3
NIUE ISLAND	2	3	2	0	0	0
NORFOLK ISLAND	5	3	1	1	1	0
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0	1	1	0	0	1
NORWAY	215	215	277	125	188	32
OMAN	1366	687	459	97	92	21
PAKISTAN	410	526	670	505	66	4
PALAU	0	2	0	0	0	0
PALESTINIAN	1	2	2	0	0	0
PANAMA	11	15	16	9	36	10
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	3	5	5	3	0	1
PARAGUAY	11	7	4	2	2	2
PERU	4	12	6	3	1	3
PHILLIPPINES	10526	12550	13479	4601	251	570
PITCAIRN	4	7	1	2	0	0
POLAND	2816	2788	2007	616	1046	271
PORTUGAL	193	177	190	79	155	21
PUERTO RICO	0	2	1	1	0	1
QATAR	1155	651	427	100	325	29
REPUBLIC OF CHINA TAIWAN	724	903	1012	302	336	76
REPUBLIC OF CROATIA	12	11	21	14	36	7
REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA	95	32	30	6	12	4
RESIDENT OF KOSOVO (UNMIK)	0	1	1	0	1	0

REUNION ISLANDS	6	5	6	5	2	0
ROMANIA	57	48	49	24	52	13
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	12959	14857	16545	1387	15814	2439
RWANDA	4	5	12	4	4	1
SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS	13	30	22	10	6	18
SAINT HELENA	18	17	17	4	0	0
SAINT LUCIA	118	101	104	39	39	9
SAINT PIERRE AND MIQUELON	0	2	1	1	0	0
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	8	15	25	8	9	2
SAMOA	0	5	0	0	0	0
SAN MARINO	1	1	2	0	2	1
SAO TOME AND PRINCIP	2	0	0	0	0	0
SAUDI ARABIA	1560	875	623	136	135	221
SENEGAL	9	5	10	2	4	0
SERBIA	19	29	33	12	330	3
SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO	2	1	0	0	0	0
SEYCHELLES	32	48	54	7	4	6
SIERRA LEONE	25	28	16	2	1	4
SINGAPORE	15414	13838	15419	4860	2664	2301
SLOVAK REPUBLIC	90	143	171	48	85	25
SOLOMON ISLANDS	3	1	0	0	0	0
SOMALIA	1	2	0	1	0	0
SOUTH AFRICA	614	548	609	348	396	135
SOUTH GEORGIA AND SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS	1	3	0	0	0	0
SOUTH SUDAN	1	0	2	0	0	0
SPAIN	1355	1318	1624	840	1253	235
SRI LANKA	347	459	429	107	64	39
SUDAN	21	19	12	4	6	2
SURINAME	6	4	3	0	1	0
SVALBARD AND JAN MAYEN ISLANDS	4	1	0	0	0	0
SWAZILAND	214	235	145	75	81	28
SWEDEN	963	1020	1059	664	806	79
SWITZERLAND	1179	1096	1184	566	754	204
SYRIA	5	7	2	1	1	0
TANZANIA	86	75	90	58	107	25
TAZIKISTAN	922	1153	1187	1248	1100	109
THAILAND	1412	1318	1475	303	85	55
TOGO	9	6	5	2	5	1
TOKELAU	0	1	0	0	0	0
TONGA	0	1	1	0	0	0
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	6	5	4	0	1	2
TUNISIA	13	9	5	4	5	1
TURKEY	209	260	333	65	212	50
TURKMENISTAN	2	1	8	1	1	0

TURKS AND CAICOS ISL	0	0	1	0	1	0
TUVALU	0	1	1	0	0	0
UGANDA	858	837	801	206	301	198
UKRAINE	9122	13140	13911	6723	18596	1491
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	17604	13405	9341	2925	3427	1247
UNITED KINGDOM	22691	25042	36612	44901	77855	27691
UNITED STATES MINOR OUTLYING ISLANDS	33	36	28	11	21	9
UNITED STATES OF AMER- ICA	121374	120759	122535	62415	125115	44709
URAGUAY	25	11	20	10	23	6
UZBEKISTAN	50	105	300	102	503	130
VANUATU	19	23	8	6	13	4
VATICAN CITY - HOLY SEE	0	2	0	0	0	0
VENEZUELA	13	3	1	1	1	0
VIETNAM	91	137	146	29	5	4
VIRGIN ISLANDS (BRITISH)	1	1	3	0	0	0
VIRGIN ISLANDS (US)	2	1	0	0	0	0
WALLIS AND FUTUNA IS- LANDS	2	6	4	0	1	0
YEMEN	13	6	16	3	3	4
ZAMBIA	39	29	29	23	46	18
ZIMBABWE	4	0	1	0	2	0
Total	45400 9	51799 8	58633 7	25965 5	444553	13313 5
