

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**  
**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1904**

**ANSWERED ON – 06/12/2024**

**INDIANS STUCK IN INTERNATIONAL WARZONES/VOLATILE  
REGIONS**

**1904. SHRI PUTTA MAHESH KUMAR:**

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

**(a) the total number of Indian nationals who have been reported stranded, injured, or deceased in various international war zones during the last five years, country/State/area-wise especially individuals from Andhra Pradesh;**

**(b) the steps / diplomatic measures undertaken by the Government to ensure the safe evacuation and repatriation of Indian citizens from war zones including collaboration with foreign governments, establishment of emergency hotlines and coordination with international organisations;**

**(c) the total amount of funds allocated / utilised for evacuation, relief and rehabilitation programmes for Indian citizens affected by conflicts in foreign nations during the last five years, Country-wise and year-wise;**

**(d) whether the Government has issued any advisory notices regarding countries / regions which are not safe to travel due to the present security concerns; and**

**(e) if so, the details thereof including the list of the same?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)**

**(a) During the previous five years, a total no. of 24,017 Indians and 391 foreign nationals, reported stranded in war/volatile situations in Afghanistan, Ukraine, Sudan, Israel and Haiti, were safely evacuated under various operations. Operation-wise details are provided below. State/UT-wise details as available are placed below. As per available records, information regarding injured and deceased Indian nationals in various international war zones is also placed below.**

**Operation-wise details of evacuation of stranded Indian nationals**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Country &amp; Name of the Operation</b>	<b>Total number of people evacuated (including foreign nationals)</b>
<b>2021</b>	<b>Afghanistan</b>	<b>669</b>  <b>(including 15 other foreign nationals and 206 Afghans,</b>

	<b>Operation <i>Devi Shakti</i></b>	<b>which includes members of the Afghan Hindu/Sikh minority)</b>
<b>2022</b>	<b>Ukraine</b>  <b>Operation <i>Ganga</i></b>	<b>18,282</b>
<b>2023</b>	<b>Sudan</b>  <b>Operation <i>Kaveri</i></b>	<b>4,097</b>  <b>(including 136 foreign nationals)</b>
<b>2023</b>	<b>Israel</b>  <b>Operation <i>Ajay</i></b>	<b>1,343</b>  <b>(including 14 OCI card holders and 20 foreign nationals)</b>
<b>2024</b>	<b>Haiti</b>  <b>Operation <i>Indravati</i></b>	<b>17</b>

**State-wise list of Indian citizens evacuated under Operation Ganga**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State / Union Territory</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Andaman &amp; Nicobar</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>682</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Assam</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>1003</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Chandigarh</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>210</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Dadar &amp; Nagar Haveli</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Daman &amp; Diu</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Delhi</b>	<b>681</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Goa</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>1020</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Haryana</b>	<b>1436</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	<b>289</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Jammu &amp; Kashmir</b>	<b>128</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Jharkhand</b>	<b>158</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Karnataka</b>	<b>615</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>3343</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Lakshadweep</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>412</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>1025</b>

<b>22</b>	<b>Manipur</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>Odisha</b>	<b>397</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Puducherry</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>Punjab</b>	<b>609</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>934</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>1479</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>667</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>Tripura</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>1917</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>257</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>343</b>
<b>37</b>	<b>State Name not available</b>	<b>272</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18282</b>

**State-wise list of Indian citizens evacuated under Operation Kaveri**

<b>Sl.No.</b>	<b>State / Union Territory</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>106</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Assam</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>370</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Chandigarh</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Delhi</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>492</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Haryana</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Jammu and Kashmir</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Jharkhand</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Karnataka</b>	<b>418</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>172</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>337</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Manipur</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Odisha</b>	<b>86</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Punjab</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>Pondicherry</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>87</b>

<b>22</b>	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>244</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>129</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>800</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>State Name not available</b>	<b>380</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>Total Indian Citizens</b>	<b>3961</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>Foreign Nationals (British- 3 + Sudanese-124 + Nepalese – 9)</b>	<b>136</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL (3961 + 136)</b>	<b>4097</b>

**State-wise list of Indian citizens evacuated under Operation Ajay**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Assam</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Chattisgarh</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Delhi</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Goa</b>	<b>3</b>

<b>7.</b>	<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Haryana</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Jammu &amp; Kashmir</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Jharkhand</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Karnataka</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>121</b>
<b>14.</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15.</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>108</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>Manipur</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Meghalaya</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>Mizoram</b>	<b>1</b>



<b>19.</b>	<b>Nagaland</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>20.</b>	<b>Odisha</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21.</b>	<b>Punjab</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>22.</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>23.</b>	<b>Sikkim</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>24.</b>	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>131</b>
<b>25.</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>26.</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>27.</b>	<b>Uttarakhand</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>28.</b>	<b>West Bengal</b>	<b>248</b>
<b>29.</b>	<b>States not mentioned</b>	<b>77</b>

<b>30.</b>	<b><i>TOTAL INDIAN CITIZENS</i></b>	<b><i>1309</i></b>
<b>31.</b>	<b>OCI Card holders (14) &amp; Nepalese (20)</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>32.</b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL (1309 + 34)</b>	<b>1343</b>

**State-wise list of Indian citizens evacuated under Operation**

**Indravati**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Gujarat</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Karnataka</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Telangana</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>New Delhi</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Odisha</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Unregistered</b>	<b>4</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>

**Details of injured/deceased Indian nationals in various international****war zones**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Name of Country</b>	<b>No. of injured Indian nationals</b>	<b>No. of deceased Indian nationals</b>
<b>2021</b>	<b>Gaza, Palestine</b>	<b>Nil</b>	<b>1 ( Kerala)</b>
<b>2022</b>	<b>Ukraine</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2023</b>	<b>Sudan</b>	<b>Nil</b>	<b>1 (Kerala)</b>
	<b>Israel</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Nil</b>
	<b>Gaza, Palestine</b>	<b>Nil</b>	<b>1 (Maharashtra)</b>
	<b>Israel</b>	<b>2 (Kerala)</b>	<b>1 (Kerala)</b>
	<b>Russia</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>

2024		<b>(2-Uttar Pradesh 2-Punjab; 1-Rajasthan; 1-Haryana; 1-West Bengal)</b>	<b>(2-Uttar Pradesh; 1-Haryana; 1-Punjab; 1-Uttarakhand; 1-Telangana; 2-Gujarat; 1-Kerala; 1-Odisha)</b>
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**(b) & (c) Government accords highest priority to the safety, security and well-being of Indians abroad and launches evacuation operations in coordination with other stakeholders in Government of India to safely evacuate stranded Indian nationals. Government remains in constant touch with its counterparts through diplomatic channels for safety and security of Indians during evacuation process. If required, it also engages local volunteers from the Indian community for logistics support. 24x7 Control Rooms are operated at headquarters and abroad to facilitate the evacuation process.**

**The evacuation operations undertaken in international warzones/volatile regions during the last five years alongwith expenditure thereon are as follows :-**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Country &amp; Name of the Operation</b>	<b>Total number of people evacuated (including foreign nationals)</b>	<b>Expenditure (in ₹)</b>
<b>2021</b>	<b>Afghanistan Operation <i>Devi Shakti</i></b>	<b>669 (including 15 other foreign nationals and 206 Afghans, which includes members of the Afghan Hindu/Sikh minority)</b>	<b>1.90 crore</b>
<b>2022</b>	<b>Ukraine Operation <i>Ganga</i></b>	<b>18,282</b>	<b>116.58 crore</b>
<b>2023</b>	<b>Sudan Operation <i>Kaveri</i></b>	<b>4,097 (including 136 foreign nationals)</b>	<b>45.63 crore</b>
<b>2023</b>	<b>Israel Operation <i>Ajay</i></b>	<b>1,343 (including 14 OCI card holders and 20 foreign nationals)</b>	<b>16.87 crore</b>

<b>2024</b>	<b>Haiti</b> <b>Operation</b> <b><i>Indravati</i></b>	<b>17</b>	<b>48.34 lakh</b>
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**(d) & (e) Yes, Government issues advisories as required by developments, especially in war-hit countries/volatile regions, to caution Indian citizens to avoid unnecessary travel and follow safety guidelines issued by local authorities. Additionally, Indian Missions in foreign countries also issue advisories requesting Indian Nationals to avoid unnecessary travel and remain in touch with the Indian Mission on published helpline numbers. List of recent travel advisories issued by Government of India and Indian Missions abroad is placed below.**

<b>S/No</b>	<b>Country name</b>	<b>Date of Issue</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Iran</b>	<b>02 October 2024</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Libya</b>	<b>06 August 2024</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Bangladesh</b>	<b>04 August 2024</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Iran, Israel</b>	<b>12 April 2024</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Israel</b>	<b>12 April 2024</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Myanmar</b>	<b>06 Feb 2024</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Myanmar</b>	<b>21 November 2023</b>

<b>8.</b>	<b>Canada</b>	<b>20 September 2023</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Niger</b>	<b>11 August 2023</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Niger</b>	<b>27 July 2023</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Sudan</b>	<b>23 April 2023</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Sudan</b>	<b>16 April 2023</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Iraq</b>	<b>18 Feb 2020</b>
<b>14.</b>	<b>Iraq</b>	<b>08 January 2020</b>
<b>15.</b>	<b>Haiti</b>	<b>02 December 2019</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>Ethiopia</b>	<b>21 June 2019</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Sri Lanka</b>	<b>28 May 2019</b>

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