

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1893  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2016**

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**1893. SHRI K.N. RAMACHANDRAN:**

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

- (a) the details of the total number of visas issued by the US for Indian students during the last two years and this year, year-wise;**
- (b) whether the US authorities have reduced the number of visas being given to foreign students; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Union Government thereon?**

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]**

**(a) to (c) As per the information available on the website of the United States Department of State, number of Student (F) Visas issued by the United States to the Indian students as well as world-wide in the last three years is as follows:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>F (Student) Visas issued by the US to Indian nationals</b>	<b>F (Student) Visas issued by the US to all nationalities</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>24706</b>	<b>515253</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>37964</b>	<b>564137</b>
<b>2014</b>	<b>58670</b>	<b>627704</b>

**Data for 2015 is not available.**

**The number of visas issued by the United States to foreign students (all nationalities) as well as to Indian students, as given in the above table, does not reflect a downward trend.**

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