

| Sl. No. | Nationality | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|---------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|
| 68. | Qatar | 1 | 26 | 61 |
| 69. | Niger | 44 | 55 | 60 |
| 70. | Lebanon | 15 | 22 | 57 |
| 71. | Ukraine | 30 | 30 | 54 |
| 72. | Norway | 29 | 26 | 52 |
| 73. | Botswana | 2 | 13 | 40 |
| 74. | Italy | 32 | 36 | 39 |
| 75. | Singapore | 25 | 46 | 39 |
| | Others | 5958 | 1061 | 2159 |
| TOTAL | | 139447 | 233918 | 427014 |

Note: Figure of 2016 include all types of Medical Visa whereas 2014 and 2015 includes only Medical and Medical Attendant Visa

NA: Not Available

Source: Bureau of Immigration

Measures taken to address issues of foreign tourists

4305. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foreign tourists are not coming to India in adequate numbers due to cumbersome visa regulations, bad travel infrastructure, poor sanitation, collapsing law enforcement systems and concerns about women's safety;

(b) if so, the measures taken to address the issues;

(c) the details of female foreign tourists looted, drugged and raped during the last three years; and

(d) the total number of tourists from Bangladesh and Pakistan who visited India during the last two years and how many of them are still staying illegally in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI K. J. ALPHONS): (a) No, Sir. There has been a continuous increase in Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTA's) during the last three years is given below:—

| | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 P* |
|-----|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| FTA | 8.03 million | 8.80 million | 10.18 million |

P* = Provisional

(b) Does not arise.

(c) National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB) has reported the following:—

1. The specific information on female foreign tourists is not maintained by the Bureau separately.
2. However, a total of 21, 9 and 18 cases of robbery/dacoity against Foreign Tourists (including female foreign tourists) were reported in the country during 2014, 2015 and 2016 respectively.
3. A total of 223, 181 and 104 cases of theft against Foreign Tourists (including female foreign tourists) were reported in the country during 2014, 2015 and 2016 respectively.
4. A total of 17, 7 and 14 cases of rape against Foreign Tourists were reported in the country during 2014, 2015 and 2016, respectively.
5. The specific information on female foreign tourists drugged is not maintained separately.

(d) The total number of tourists from Bangladesh and Pakistan during the last two years is given below:—

| Year | Bangladesh | Pakistan |
|---------|------------|----------|
| 2016 | 1380409 | 104720 |
| 2017 P* | 2170406 | 89692 |

P*=Provisional

The Ministry of Tourism does not compile data of foreign tourists living illegally in India.

Amenities for tourists at tourist destinations

4306. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether wayside amenities are very poor on majority of the roads connecting important tourist destinations and at tourist destinations;

(b) the steps taken to provide wayside amenities for the benefit of travelling public and the tourists;

(c) whether drivers at many of tourism places act as agents of various hotels and restaurants and coerce the tourists to choose unwanted hotels and restaurants; and