

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Rajya Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2569
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 11th August 2021
VANDE BHARAT MISSION

2569. SHRI B. LINGAIAH YADAV

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

(a) the response received under the Vande Bharat Mission (VBM), which started repatriating Indian stranded abroad due to COVID-19 and the resultant lockdown till today has turned out to be one of the largest evacuations of civilians; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, country-wise and flight-wise?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a) & (b) During the global Covid-19 pandemic, the Government of India has undertaken the Vande Bharat Mission (including air bubble arrangements) to facilitate travel of passengers between India and various parts of the world.

As on 29.07.2021, more than 88,700 inbound flights have been operated and over 72 lakh passengers have returned to India from more than 100 countries. In the same period, more than 88,000 outbound flights have been operated and over 58 lakh passengers have traveled from India to foreign countries.
