

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.396
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2021

DATA BANK OF INDIAN STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the country-wise number of Indian students currently studying in foreign countries, including Australia;
- (b) whether Government is considering preparing a data bank of all the students who go abroad for studies;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the time by when such data bank is likely to be prepared;
- (d) whether Government is also considering issuing some guidelines for the students who want to go abroad for studies; and
- (e) the time by which such guidelines are likely to be issued by Government?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

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(a) The country-wise number of Indian students currently studying in foreign countries, including Australia, as per data available with the Government is given at Annexure –I.

(b) & (c) The Bureau of Immigration (BOI), Government of India has data of all the students who go abroad for studies on student visas.

(d) & (e) The Government is developing and designing a Global Indian Students Portal (GISP) for Indian students who want to go abroad for studies. The Portal will have information regarding courses, foreign universities, nodal officers, accreditation requirements, etc. which will guide the prospective students to make informed decisions. The Portal is expected to be launched in 2022. Separately, the India Centre for Migration, a think tank of the Ministry, has prepared a “Student Handbook for Studying Abroad”, to provide basic information to our students intending to study overseas.

Annexure- I to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 396

Data of Indian students studying abroad
(As per data available)

S.No.	Name of Country	No. of Students
1.	Antigua & Barbuda	40
2.	Armenia	3000
3.	Australia	92383
4.	Austria	350
5.	Azerbaijan	123
6.	Bangladesh	5200
7.	Beirut	2
8.	Belarus	906
9.	Barbados	86
10.	Belgrade	4
11.	Belgium	764
12.	Bhutan	4
13.	Brazil	4
14.	Brunei Darussalam	9
15.	Bulgaria	357
16.	Canada	215720
17.	China	23000
18.	Cuba (Dominican Republic)	6
19.	Cyprus	3007
20.	Czech Republic	658
21.	Denmark	369
22.	Egypt	356
23.	Estonia	257
24.	Finland	1051
25.	France	10000
26.	Georgia	7500
27.	Germany	20810
28.	Greece	7
29.	Guyana	184
30.	Hong Kong	916
31.	Hungary	419

32.	Iceland	17
33.	Indonesia	8
34.	Iran	1700
35.	Ireland	5000
36.	Israel	550
37.	Italy	4634
38.	Japan	1694
39.	Jamaica	125
40.	Jordan	2
41.	Kazakhstan	5300
42.	Kenya	254
43.	Kuwait	178
44.	Kyrgyzstan	10000
45.	Latvia	1850
46.	Lebanon	5
47.	Lithuania	800
48.	Luxembourg	80
49.	Malaysia	2000
50.	Malta	434
51.	Mauritius	807
52.	Mexico	150
53.	Moldova	262
54.	Mozambique	2
55.	Nepal	2200
56.	Netherlands	1469
57.	New Zealand	30000
58.	Norway	480
59.	Oman	43,600
60.	Pakistan	230
61.	Panama (also Costa Rica, Nicaragua)	109
62.	Philippines	15000
63.	Poland	4000
64.	Portugal	415
65.	Qatar	150
66.	Republic of Korea	592

67.	Reunion Island	3
68.	Romania	700
69.	Russia Federation	16500
70.	Saudi Arabia	80800
71.	Serbia	1
72.	Singapore	1500
73.	Slovakia	70
74.	Slovenia	36
75.	South Africa	434
76.	Spain	1500
77.	Sri Lanka	7
78.	St. Denis	2
79.	St. Kitts & Nevis	10
80.	St. Lucia	211
81.	St. Vincent & Grenadines	59
82.	Sudan	10
83.	Sweden	2000
84.	Switzerland	1850
85.	Taiwan	150
86.	Tajikistan	1199
87.	Tanzania	2
88.	Thailand	297
89.	Trinidad & Tobago	81
90.	Turkey	48
91.	Ukraine	18000
92.	United Arab Emirates	219000
93.	United Kingdom	55,465
94.	USA	211930
95.	Uzbekistan	50
96.	Venezuela	229
97.	Vietnam	1
98.	Yemen	6
99.	Zagreb	9
Total		11,33,749
