

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No-2136
ANSWERED ON 04/08/2022

INDIAN CITIZENS WORKING ABROAD

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Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Indian citizens working in other countries, country-wise; and
- (b) state-wise distribution of Indian citizens working abroad?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a) & (b) As per data available on the e-Migrate portal, country-wise data of Emigration Clearance (EC) issued for 18 ECR countries during last three years is given in Annexure - A.

State-wise distribution of ECR passport holding Indian citizens working in 18 ECR category countries, based on data available on the e-Migrate portal is given in Annexure B.

Bureau of Immigration (BoI) maintains departure and arrival data of Indians. But there is no index for specifically capturing the category of Indians going abroad for employment/work purpose. Purpose of Indians for going abroad is usually captured manually based either on their verbal disclosure or the type of visa of the destination country produced by them at the time of according immigration clearance.

The number of Indians who verbally disclosed their purpose of visit either as employment/work or produced employment/work visa of the destination country while going abroad for the period from 01.01.2020 to 27.07.2022 is as below:

Year	2020	2021	2022 (till 27 July)
Number	7,15,770	8,33,845	13,02,240

**Country-wise number of India citizens who went abroad for private jobs
(data of Emigration Clearance issued for 18 ECR countries)**

S. No.	Country	2020	2021	2022 (till 20 July)
1	AFGHANISTAN	0	0	0
2	BAHRAIN	4175	6382	5949
3	INDONESIA	1	0	1
4	IRAQ	759	935	348
5	JORDAN	317	2386	1783
6	KUWAIT	8107	10158	33631
7	LEBANON	21	54	122
8	LIBYA	0	0	0
9	MALAYSIA	2435	36	1089
10	OMAN	7206	19452	17967
11	QATAR	8907	49579	13628
12	SAUDI ARABIA	44316	32845	99452
13	SOUTH SUDAN	0	1	1
14	SUDAN	0	0	0
15	SYRIA	0	0	0
16	THAILAND	10	1	0
17	UAE	17891	10844	15235
18	YEMEN	0	0	0
Grand Total		94145	132673	189206

**State/UT-wise number of India citizens who went abroad for private jobs
(data of Emigration Clearance issued for ECR countries)**

S.No	STATE	2020	2021	Jun 2022 (upto 30 June 2022)	Total
1	UTTAR PRADESH	28911	35221	67240	131372
2	BIHAR	13911	24526	31081	69518
3	WEST BENGAL	7425	9917	15288	32630
4	RAJASTHAN	6126	11345	13733	31204
5	TAMIL NADU	6476	8830	10709	26015
6	KERALA	8487	10560	6255	25302
7	ANDHRA PRADESH	3882	5482	8911	18275
8	PUNJAB	3317	5983	4955	14255
9	TELANGANA	2984	4375	6042	13401
10	ODISHA	2199	4179	3181	9559
11	MAHARASHTRA	2592	2828	3444	8864
12	KARNATAKA	1476	2143	2866	6485
13	JAMMU & KASHMIR	1095	992	2717	4804
14	GUJARAT	1494	1583	1715	4792
15	JHARKHAND	831	1481	1936	4248
16	UTTARAKHAND	821	864	1818	3503
17	ASSAM	566	395	1886	2847
18	DELHI	388	508	788	1684
19	HARYANA	314	459	576	1349
20	MADHYA PRADESH	220	232	604	1056
21	TRIPURA	248	145	472	865
22	GOA	105	262	321	688
23	HIMACHAL PRADESH	115	145	214	474
24	PUDUCHERRY	75	123	168	366
25	CHANDIGARH	30	45	197	272
26	CHHATTISGARH	33	24	62	119
27	DAMAN & DIU	11	0	6	17
28	MANIPUR	4	9	4	17
29	MEGHALAYA	3	3	5	11
30	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	2	0	5	7
31	NAGALAND	1	4	1	6
32	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	1	2	3
33	SIKKIM	1	0	2	3
34	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	2	0	0	2
35	LAKSHADWEEP	0	0	2	2
36	LADAKH	0	0	0	0
37	MIZORAM	0	0	0	0
	Total	94145	132673	189206	416024
