

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2466
ANSWERED ON- 10/08/2023

RENOUNCING INDIAN CITIZENSHIP

2466. SHRI SANDEEP KUMAR PATHAK

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

- (a) the number of individuals who have renounced Indian citizenship and taken citizenship in other countries in the last five years, country-wise list;
- (b) how many of them were businessmen;
- (c) whether Government has done any study on reasons for which they are leaving the country, if so, the major reasons therefor; and
- (d) the professional breakdown of all such individuals like scientists, academicians, artists etc. who left citizenship?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a) As per the information available with the Ministry, the number of Indians who renounced their Indian citizenship was 1,34,561 (in 2018); 1,44,017 (in 2019); 85,256 (in 2020); 1,63,370 (in 2021); 2,25,620 (in 2022) and 87,026 (till June, 2023). For reference purposes, data was 1,22,819 (in 2011); 1,20,923 (in 2012); 1,31,405 (in 2013); 1,29,328 (in 2014); 1,31,489 (in 2015); 1,41,603 (in 2016); 1,33,049 (in 2017). Country-wise list for last five years is placed at Annexure.

(b & d) No such data is available with the Ministry of External Affairs.

(c) Individuals renounced their Indian citizenship for reasons personal to them.

<u>The country where Indians renounced Indian Citizenship in last five years</u>							
Sl No.	Country	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 (till June)
1	Algeria	0	0	0	0	1	0
2	Angola	3	1	1	0	1	1
3	Argentina	32	25	8	12	33	7
4	Armenia	0	2	2	3	0	0
5	Australia	16990	21340	13518	23533	40377	16125
6	Austria	209	233	183	165	198	163
7	Azerbaijan	0	0	3	1	0	0
8	Bahrain	43	60	12	98	49	13
9	Bangladesh	6	5	2	1	1	1
10	Belarus	1	0	0	0	2	1
11	Belgium	639	640	458	536	715	264
12	Botswana	23	18	49	24	8	3
13	Brazil	13	13	12	5	7	7
14	Brunei	1	2	3	2	3	2
15	Bulgaria	1	4	3	2	5	0
16	Burkina Faso	0	0	0	1	0	0
17	Cambodia	0	0	0	0	1	1
18	Canada	19714	25381	17093	21597	60139	17993
19	Chile	46	6	6	5	21	5
20	China	457	536	556	362	331	200
21	Colombia	0	0	3	2	3	0

22	Congo (Kinshasa)	0	0	0	0	1	0
23	Côte d'Ivoire	0	0	0	0	0	1
24	Croatia	1	1	7	3	0	0
25	Cyprus	69	45	32	17	15	8
26	Czech Republic	28	8	7	11	11	5
27	Denmark	93	86	142	230	353	60
28	Egypt	3	11	1	2	3	2
29	Eswatini	0	0	0	0	0	2
30	Ethiopia	0	0	0	1	2	0
31	Fiji	62	42	46	37	49	11
32	Finland	186	179	158	193	188	48
33	France	445	286	258	471	362	100
34	Germany	2122	2157	2152	2381	3179	1372
35	Ghana	4	3	2	4	7	2
36	Greece	245	217	149	160	140	49
37	Guatemala	0	0	0	2	0	1
38	Guyana	20	11	12	23	13	22
39	Hungary	13	3	8	4	13	8
40	Iceland	1	7	8	4	4	4
41	Indonesia	45	48	32	31	34	22
42	Iran	6	11	2	8	5	5
43	Iraq	0	0	0	1	2	0
44	Israel	243	252	114	61	79	25
45	Italy	5227	3833	2312	5986	3839	2620

46	Jamaica	23	37	23	20	60	32
47	Japan	38	35	51	54	73	42
48	Jordan	0	6	0	3	1	0
49	Kazakhstan	0	0	0	4	1	0
50	Kenya	295	298	207	265	257	145
51	Kuwait	94	80	22	17	62	20
52	Kyrgyzstan	0	0	0	0	7	0
53	Laos	2	0	1	3	0	0
54	Madagascar	2	2	0	0	0	0
55	Malawi	43	84	100	19	12	4
56	Malaysia	272	139	76	96	249	114
57	Maldives	5	1	3	2	4	2
58	Mali	0	1	0	0	1	0
59	Malta	64	45	13	13	4	18
60	Mauritius	80	67	37	26	59	30
61	Mexico	28	17	5	12	19	5
62	Mongolia	0	2	0	0	0	0
63	Morocco	2	4	0	2	1	0
64	Mozambique	29	18	12	17	20	3
65	Myanmar	3	2	2	0	0	1
66	Namibia	3	0	1	3	2	0
67	Nepal	45	26	10	10	19	18
68	Netherlands	675	728	1213	2187	2345	1494
69	New Zealand	4413	4123	2116	2643	7911	1882

70	Nigeria	2	1	2	1	7	1
71	Norway	280	317	303	456	649	341
72	Oman	37	34	25	53	14	11
73	Pakistan	0	0	7	41	13	8
74	Panama	27	34	12	18	12	7
75	Papua New Guinea	2	1	0	0	0	0
76	Paraguay	0	0	0	0	0	1
77	Peru	1	1	0	5	7	1
78	Philippines	20	36	8	11	11	10
79	Poland	22	31	3	19	30	12
80	Portugal	604	513	597	731	753	324
81	Qatar	91	101	47	55	66	24
82	Republic of Ireland	620	564	357	439	1192	668
83	Réunion Island	15	12	2	3	8	2
84	Romania	3	5	1	29	6	6
85	Russia	51	54	35	88	117	21
86	Rwanda	0	0	0	0	1	0
87	Saudi Arabia	18	24	8	34	33	14
88	Senegal	0	0	0	0	0	1
89	Serbia	1	0	1	1	0	1
90	Seychelles	20	26	34	54	12	7
91	Singapore	2344	2241	2289	2516	2695	1126
92	Slovakia	1	1	3	1	1	2
93	Slovenia	0	1	2	2	1	0

94	South Africa	131	156	118	73	59	10
95	South Korea	4	3	16	7	10	3
96	Spain	607	718	1089	1595	2241	1032
97	Sri Lanka	32	17	10	17	23	7
98	Sudan	1	0	0	1	0	0
99	Suriname	18	22	14	11	33	11
100	Sweden	927	867	1046	1841	1970	1880
101	Switzerland	248	331	233	358	450	214
102	Tanzania	18	20	19	35	31	19
103	Thailand	115	107	85	52	59	42
104	Trinidad and Tobago	12	40	15	16	19	4
105	Turkey	2	6	6	20	24	39
106	Uganda	189	2	21	22	6	5
107	Ukraine	5	18	3	6	2	0
108	United Arab Emirates	478	459	226	326	234	142
109	United Kingdom	16761	14309	6489	14637	21457	9815
110	USA	57603	61683	30828	78284	71991	28230
111	Venezuela	42	39	34	38	33	0
112	Yemen	0	0	0	0	1	0
113	Zambia	97	40	22	96	44	18
114	Zimbabwe	5	2	0	3	4	4
	Total	134561	144017	85256	163370	225620	87026
