

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4775
ANSWERED ON:23.04.2003
FOREIGN TOURS BY OFFICERS
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the countries toured by the officers of various departments, undertakings and other institutions under his Ministry during the last three years and the number of days for which they stayed there;
- (b) the amount of foreign exchange given to them in the form of cash and travellers cheque by the Government;
- (c) the details of the travellers cheques not submitted for encashment;
- (d) the reasons, if any, for the misutilization of the Government funds by these officers alongwith the reasons for failure in recovering funds from them; and
- (e) the steps taken for recovering the funds misappropriated by the officers and by when the recovery is likely to be made?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SRI MOOKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): Details given in the Annexure.

(c): Not applicable.

(d) & (e): Do not arise.

ANNEXURE

FOREIGN VISIT DURING THE YEAR 2000

Name of the Country Visited	No of Days Stayed	Foreign Exchange released in Cash (in Rs.)	Foreign Exchange released through Travellers Cheque
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Netherlands	180	Nil	Nil
Singapore	5	Nil	Nil
USA	5	Nil	Nil
USA	5	22,000/-	Nil
USA	4	60,900/-	Nil
Indonesia	4	Nil	Nil
USA	15	Nil	Nil
Mexico	7	Nil	Nil
USA	12	57,500/-	Nil
USA	12	57,500/-	Nil
France	5	22,250/-	Nil
Singapore	12	Nil	Nil
Armenia	7	Nil	Nil
USA	3	Nil	Nil
Japan	42	Nil	Nil
Nepal	2	Nil	Nil
Nepal	2	Nil	Nil
UK	2	Nil	Nil
Switzerland	5	Nil	Nil
Switzerland	5	Nil	Nil
Switzerland	5	Nil	Nil
USA	8	Nil	Nil
Sweden	20	32,620/-	Nil
USA	23	Nil	Nil
Sri Lanka	2	Nil	Nil
Malta	3	Nil	Nil
Philippines & China	9	Nil	Nil
UK	7	32,200/-	Nil
Brazil	2	Nil	Nil

Thailand	3	Nil	Nil
USA	3	Nil	Nil
China	3	Nil-	Nil
Philippines	10	Nil	Nil
USA	15	Nil	Nil
South Africa	5	Nil	Nil
China	6	5,330/-	Nil
South Africa	5	Nil	Nil
Austria, Switzerland & USA	16	Nil	Nil
Japan	1	Nil	Nil

ANNEXURE

FOREIGN VISIT DURING THE YEAR 2001

Name of the Country Visited	No of Days Stayed	Foreign Exchange released in Cash	Foreign Exchange Released through Travellers Cheque
(in Rs.)			

UK	1	Nil	Nil
Philippines	5	Nil	Nil
Denmark	12	Nil	Nil
Malaysia, Singapore & UK	101	Nil	Nil
Malaysia, Singapore & UK	101	Nil	Nil
USA	8	34,500/-	Nil
Japan	2	Nil	Nil
Thailand	2	Nil	Nil
Nepal	2	Nil	Nil
Spain	4	Nil	Nil
USA	2	Nil	Nil
UK	7	Nil	Nil
UK	2	Nil	Nil
Sri Lanka	3	Nil	Nil
China	2	Nil	Nil
Malaysia	5	Nil	Nil
Turkey	2	Nil	Nil
USA	7	Nil	Nil
Malaysia, Japan, Thailand & Indonesia	7	Nil	Nil
Bangladesh	10	Nil	Nil
Thailand	4	Nil	Nil
USA	9	42,300/-	Nil
Lebanon	3	Nil	Nil
Nepal	5	Nil	Nil
Philippines	3	Nil	Nil
USA	2	Nil	Nil
Philippines	3	Nil	Nil
Philippines	2	Nil	Nil
China	5	10,000/-	Nil
Japan	172	Nil	Nil
France & Russia	11	9,200/-	Nil
Hong Kong	3	18,000/-	Nil
Mauritius	4	10,800/-	Nil
Ghana	3	Nil	Nil
Japan	1	Nil	Nil
Singapore	4	Nil	Nil
Thailand	3	Nil	Nil

ANNEXURE

FOREIGN VISIT DURING THE YEAR 2002

Name of the Country Visited	No of Days Stayed	Foreign Exchange released in Cash	Foreign Exchange Released through Travellers Cheque
(in Rs.)			

USA	6	29,000/-	Nil
Switzerland	2	Nil	Nil
USA	11	43,200/-	Nil
Philippines	2	Nil	Nil
Taiwan	2	22,275/-	Nil
Pakistan	6	Nil	Nil

Pakistan 6 Nil Nil
USA 63 Nil Nil
UK 3 Nil Nil
UK 3 22,050/- Nil
Japan 5 18,000/- Nil
Nepal 3 Nil Nil
USA 3 11,025/- Nil
Bhutan 7 15,435/- Nil
USA 28 Nil Nil
Switzerland 2 14,922/- Nil
Nepal 5 Nil Nil
Malaysia 4 Nil Nil
South Africa 7 Nil Nil
Kenya 2 8,820/- Nil
USA 12 Nil Nil
Canada 8 66,400/- Nil
Pakistan 2 14,400/- Nil
Japan 3 Nil Nil
Pakistan 2 14,400/- Nil
Thailand 3 Nil Nil
Russia 3 13,720/- Nil
China 2 Nil Nil
France 9 Nil Nil
Sri Lanka 2 Nil Nil
UK & France 5 25,725/- Nil
Saudi Arabia 3 13,780/- Nil
Nepal 3 Nil Nil
Thailand 3 Nil Nil
Vietnam 3 Nil Nil
Australia 25 71,920/- Nil
Republic of Korea 3 Nil Nil
Republic of Korea 7 Nil Nil
Republic of Korea 7 Nil Nil
South Africa 8 Nil Nil
Togo 3 Nil Nil
Singapore 4 Nil Nil
Morocco 15 Nil Nil
Nepal 2 Nil Nil