

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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VISIT OF OFFICIALS ABROAD
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether issue/revalidation of Official/Diplomatic Passport and Visa Note to Secretaries to Government of India from scientific departments has been done after the same obtained political clearance and clearance of Screening Committee of Secretaries or the Prime Minister;
- (b) if so, the details including countries visited, countries transited and purpose and duration of visit for the last three years, year-wise, category-wise;
- (c) the nature of these visits; and
- (d) the details of issue/revalidation of Official/Diplomatic Passport and Visa Note to above Secretaries without approval of Screening Committee of Secretaries or Prime Minister for the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

- (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.