

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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Indian Students in US
Rao Shri Konakalla Narayana

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether there is any dip in the students going to US for higher studies for this spring semester;
- (b) if so, the year-wise statistics of students going to US for spring semester from last few years including the details of students from Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) whether these dips have been as a result of new visa norms; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) to (b) Semester-wise data on the number of students from India pursuing higher studies in the United States is not available for the current academic year or previous years. No state wise data is available of students.

As per the U.S. Institute of International Education (IIE), the number of Indian students studying in the U.S. in previous four years were as follows:

Academic Year	No. of Students from India in U.S.	Change
2012-13	96,754	-
2013-14	102,673	6.1%
2014-15	132,888	29.4%
2015-16	165,918	24.9%

There has been a consistent increase in the number of Indian students in the U.S. during the last three years.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Government of India remains engaged with the United States Government and the Congress in regard to all issues relating to the Indian students including their training and employment.