



Foreigners visiting India for Medical Treatment

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The number of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in India on Medical Visa in the past three years is as below:

Year	FTAs on Medical Visa
2014	75,688
2015	1,34,344
2016	2,01,333

In order to simplify and speed up the procedure of obtaining Visa for tourists coming to India for medical purposes, the Government of India has extended the facility of e-Medical Visa. Other measures taken by the Government to facilitate the tourists coming through e- Medical Visa are as below:

- Extension of duration of stay for upto 6 months may be granted on case to case basis on merits of each case by the Foreigners Regional Registration Officer (FRRO)/Foreigners Registration Officer (FRO) concerned.
- Triple entry will be permitted as against single entry earlier.

In case of emergency, if Medical Visa is recommended by an accredited hospital in India, Indian Missions/Posts abroad should decide on such request within 48 hours of getting the application.

This information was given by Dr. Mahesh Sharma, Minister of State for Tourism and Culture (Independent Charge) in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.

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