"Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs)" and "Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs)" on e-Tourist Visa during March 2017

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Ministry of Tourism compiles monthly estimates of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) & FTAs on e- Tourist Visa on the basis of Nationality-wise, Port-wise data received from Bureau of Immigration (BOI).

The following are the important highlights regarding FTAs & FTAs on e-Tourist Visa from tourism during the month of March, 2017.

Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs):

The number of FTAs in March, 2017 were 9.05 lakh as compared to FTAs of 8.17 lakh in March, 2016 and 7.29 lakh in March, 2015. The growth rate in FTAs in March, 2017 over March, 2016 is 10.7% compared to 12.1% in March, 2016 over March, 2015. FTAs during the period January- March 2017 were 28.45 lakh with a growth of 13.4%, as compared to the FTAs of

25.08 lakh with a growth of 10.0% in January- March 2015 over January- March 2014.

- The percentage share of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in India during March 2017 among the top 15 source countries was highest from Bangladesh (21.31%) followed by USA (10.39%), UK (10.30%), Russian Fed. (4.26%), Malaysia (3.41%), Canada (3.28%), Germany (3.03%), Sri Lanka (2.91%), China (2.83%), France (2.79%), Australia (2.54%), Japan(2.34%), Afghanistan (1.82%), Singapore (1.66%) and Iran (1.54%).
- The percentage share of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in India during March 2017 among the top 15 ports was highest at Delhi Airport (31.25%) followed by Mumbai Airport (13.73%), Haridaspur Land check post (12.23%), Chennai Airport (6.60%), Goa Airport (5.25%), Bengaluru Airport (4.85%), Kolkata Airport (4.42%), Cochin Airport (2.42%), Gede Rail Land checkpost (2.33%), Hyderabad Airport (2.24%), Ghojadanga land checkpost (1.68%), Amritsar Airport (1.56%), Tiruchirapalli Airport (1.33%), Ahmadabad Airport (1.32%) and Trivandrum (1.28%).

Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) on e-Tourist Visa

- During the month of March, 2017 total of 1.46 lakh tourist arrived on e-Tourist Visa as compared to 1.16 lakh during the month of March 2016 registering a growth of 25.8%.
- During January- March 2017, a total of 4.67 lakh tourist arrived on e-Tourist Visa as compared to 3.21 lakh during January-March 2016, registering a growth of 45.6%.
- The percentage shares of top 15 source countries availing e-Tourist Visa facilities during March, 2017 were as follows:

UK (21.5%), USA (11.8%), Russian Fed (10.3%), France (6.4%), China (6.2%), Germany (4.8%), Canada (3.7%), Australia (3.7%), Korea (Rep.of) (2.2%), South Africa (1.9%), Malaysia (1.7%), Singapore (1.7%), Spain (1.6%), Netherlands (1.5%) and Japan (1.3%).

The percentage shares of top 15 ports in tourist arrivals on e-Tourist Visa during March, 2017 were as follows:

New Delhi Airport (46.5%), Mumbai Airport (17.1%), Dabolim (Goa) Airport (13.8%), Chennai Airport (5.5%), Bengaluru Airport (4.8%), Kochi Airport (2.9%), Kolkata Airport (2.3%), Amritsar Airport (1.8%), Hyderabad Airport (1.7%), Trivandrum Airport (1.2%), Ahmadabad Airport (1.0%), Tirchy Airport (0.6%), Jaipur Airport (0.6%), Gaya Airport (0.1%) and Luck now Airport (0.1%).

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