

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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VISA POLICY

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes reform in issue of visas to promote tourism industry; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): Reforms in Visa Policy is a continuous process. A new category of visa called ` Medical Visa ` was introduced on 21.06.2005 to facilitate medical tourism in the country.