

Tourist Inflows to India during February, 2017

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FTAs on e-Tourist Visa

- During the month of February, 2017 total of 1.70 lakh tourist arrived on e-Tourist Visa as compared to 1.17 lakh during the month of February 2016 registering a growth of 45.2%.
- During January- February 2017, a total of 32.18 lakh tourist arrived on e-Tourist Visa as compared to 20.54 lakh during January-February 2016, registering a growth of 56.7% .
- The percentage shares of top 15 source countries availing e- Tourist Visa facilities during February, 2017 were as follows:
UK (26.1%), USA (11.0%), France (7.3%), Russian Fed (7.3%), China (5.1%), Germany (4.8%), Canada (3.9%), Australia (3.4%), Korea (Rep.of) (2.2%), Netherlands (1.9%), Ukraine (1.5%), South Africa (1.5%), Spain (1.3%), Singapore (1.2%), and Sweden (1.2%).
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Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) from Tourism in India during February 2017 and comparative figures of 2016 and 2015

Month	Foreign Tourist Arrivals (Nos.)			Percentage Change	
	2015	2016 @	2017 @	2016/15	2017/16
January	7,90,854	8,44,388	9,83,413	6.8%	16.5%
February	7,61,007	8,46,652	9,56,337	11.3%	13.0%
Total	15,51,861	16,91,040	19,39,750	9.0%	14.7%

@: Provisional

FTAs on e-Tourist Visa (e-TV) in India during February 2017 & comparative figures of 2016 & 2015					
Month	FTAs on e-Tourist Visa			Percentage Change	
	2015	2016	2017	2016/15	2017/16
January	25,023	88,162	1,51,598	252.3	72.0
February	24,985	1,17,210	1,70,205	369.1	45.2
Total	50,008	2,05,372	3,21,803	310.7	56.7

