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The following information is provided pursuant to section 28 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016*.

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1. Access application	Published
2. Decision notice	Published
3. Documents and schedule	Published
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6. Processing time (in working days)	10
7. Decision made by Ombudsman	N/A
8. Additional information identified by Ombudsman	N/A
9. Decision made by ACAT	N/A
10. Additional information identified by ACAT	N/A

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Subject: Freedom of Information request
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Please find online enquiry details below. Please ensure this enquiry is responded to within fourteen working days.

Your details

All fields are optional, however an email address OR full postal address must be provided for us to process your request. An email address and telephone contact number will assist us to contact you quickly if we need to discuss your request.

Title:

First Name:

Last Name:

Business/Organisation:

Address:

Suburb:

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State/Territory:

Phone/mobile:

Email address:

Request for information

(Please provide as much detail as possible, for example subject matter and relevant dates, and also provide details of documents that you are not interested in.)

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2016 I want to access the following document/s (*required field):

1. For the whole year 2021: Total number of Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) was provided by the ACT Government to the applicants whose country of passport was Nepal. 2. For the whole year 2021: Top 5 countries sourcing applicants to Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) provided by the ACT Government 3. For the year 2022 till 31 May: Total number of Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) was provided by the ACT Government to the applicants whose country of passport was Nepal. 4. For the year 2022 till 31 May: Top 5 countries sourcing applicants to Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) provided by the ACT Government

I do not want to access the following documents in relation to my request:: NA

Thank you.
Freedom of Information Coordinator



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your request submitted under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act), received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) on 1 June 2022, in which you sought access to the following:

- *For the whole year 2021: Total number of Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) was provided by ACT Government to the applicants whose country of passport was Nepal*
- *For the whole year 2021: Top countries sourcing applicants to Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) provided by the ACT Government.*
- *For the year 2022 till 31 May 2022: Total number of Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) was provided by ACT Government to the applicants whose country of passport was Nepal.*
- *For the year 2022 till 31 May 2022: Top countries sourcing applicants to Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) provided by the ACT Government.*

Authority

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General under section 18 of the Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act.

Timeframes

In accordance with section 40 of the Act, CMTEDD is required to provide a decision on your access application by 30 June 2022.

Decision on access

Searches were completed for the relevant information. As you are seeking statistics only, no documents are being released to you, but the information you have requested is being released to you in full.

Skills Canberra has supplied the following information:

Under SKILLED VISA - ACT NOMINATION

1. For the whole year 2021: Total number of Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) was provided by the ACT Government to the applicants whose country of passport was Nepal.

2021: Skilled migration nominations for applicants with Nepalese citizenship (ACT)	190 visa subclass	491 visa subclass	Total
Approved Nominations	147	401	548

2. For the whole year 2021: Top countries sourcing applicants to Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) provided by the ACT Government.

2021: Skilled migration nominations by country of citizenship (top 5) for the 491 visa subclass (ACT)	Approved Nominations
India	424
Nepal	401
China	163
Pakistan	81
Bhutan	62

2021: Skilled migration nominations by country of citizenship (top 5) for the 190 visa subclass (ACT)	Approved Nominations
China	242
India	152
Nepal	147
Bhutan	42
Vietnam	32

3. For the year 2022 till 31 May 2022: Total number of Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) was provided by ACT Government to the applicants whose country of passport was Nepal.

Jan-May 2022: Skilled migration nominations for applicants with Nepalese citizenship (ACT)	190 visa subclass	491 visa subclass	Total
Approved Nominations	36	83	119

4. For the year 2022 till 31 May 2022: Top countries sourcing applicants to Subclass 190 visa and Subclass 491 visa nomination (Approved) provided by the ACT Government.

Jan-May 2022: Skilled migration nominations by country of citizenship (top 5) for the 491 visa subclass (ACT)	Approved Nominations
India	215
Nepal	83
China	51
Iran	31
Bhutan	24

Jan-May 2022: Skilled migration nominations by country of citizenship (top 5) for the 491 visa subclass (ACT)	Approved Nominations
China	76
India	52
Nepal	36
Vietnam	14
Malaysia	13

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable for this request because the number of pages being released to you is less than the charging threshold of 50.

Online publishing – Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the Act, CMTEDD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. Your original access application, my decision and documents released to you in response to your access application will be published in the CMTEDD disclosure log after 16 February 2021. Your personal contact details will not be published. You may view CMTEDD disclosure log at <https://www.cmtedd.act.gov.au/functions/foi/disclosure-log-2020>.

Ombudsman Review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in CMTEDD disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

We recommend using this form [Applying for an Ombudsman Review](#) to ensure you provide all of the required information. Alternatively, you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) Review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
Level 4, 1 Moore St
GPO Box 370
Canberra City ACT 2601
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740
<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

Should you have any queries in relation to your request please contact me by telephone on 6207 7754 or email CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,



Matt Leonard
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Information Access Team
Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

16 June 2022