

Q. US Hike in H-1B visas fees exposes India's dependence on foreign job markets. Analyse its implications & suggest measures for India to reduce their reliance.

Ans.

The H-1B visas allows US companies to hire foreign workers for a continuous time period of 6 years, later can be revised.

Recently @ Trump government announces its fees hike to \$ 100,000 raising various concerns in respect of 'employment freedom' of an individual.

It has impacted Indian migrants who wanted to work outside in America respectively, allowing them to rethink again as this would impact directly to their pocket expenses.

Possible Implications by this hike

1. Positive Implications:-

- 1.1 Stop of Brain Draining from India to the US. Hence, the innovation and ideas will originally be used by Indian sectors.
- 1.2 FDI will increase to India as various international companies will invest.
- 1.3 GDP rate of India will ultimately see a surge.
- 1.4 The aviation sector will get revenue as it is noted that after this news came out the flights were booked to US with 2x speed.

2) Negative Implications

[1.1] The relation between US & India can see a downward ~~rate~~ slope.

Eg Recent tariff decision by Washington govt has directly impacted the relations.

[R2] The remittances to India will decrease.

- Balance of Payment ~~will~~ can see a mismanagement as capital flow will decrease.

[R3] The recent bookings of air flights will harm the environment by emitting carbon.

Eg Doubled the bookings of flight tickets to US.

[R4] The Brain drain can't be stopped abruptly as people can than also have another options like Japan, South Korea and other developed countries.

However, India can adopt certain measures so that 'relevance' of this would be balanced as that with aspirations of people

① Negotiate with Trump's government.

- Its doing this hike of H1B visas will ultimately open the route of illegal migration and unallowed activities.

② Boost India's private sector, so that population don't seek other options for employment.

- Mandatory rule to serve for India at least 2-4 years.

③ Hike in salaries and extra allowances to their working officials with reasonable holidays.

Hence, the H1-B visas poses both positive and negative implications for India. India have to work on their private sector and policy measures should be taken to increase FDI in country which will ultimately help in India's GDP inc.

Introduction:

Good – Starts with definition of H-1B visa and context of fee hike.

Improve – A bit too descriptive; could be shorter and directly link to India's dependence and IT sector vulnerability.

Body:

Good – Attempts to cover both positive (brain drain reduction, FDI, GDP rise) and negative implications (India-US relations, remittances, brain drain shift). Shows multidimensional thinking.

Improve – Some points are vague or less relevant (airline bookings, FDI rise due to fee hike). Needs stronger focus on IT exports, employment, and remittances. Structure is scattered, with unnecessary detail on flights and carbon emissions.

Conclusion:

Good – Suggests negotiations, boosting private sector, and domestic policy reform.

Improve – Lacks sharpness; needs a concise, forward-looking ending on diversification, domestic job creation, and reducing reliance on US.