

## 69% of Indian Students in Canada are Anxious Due to India-Canada Spat - Likelihood of Recommending Canada Plummets

Findings of a Survey of 100+ Indian Students at 20+ Canadian Colleges

TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA, October 2, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- LooneyTooney.ca released the results of its survey of 100+ Indian students across Canada from 20+ colleges and universities. LooneyTooney.ca wanted to ascertain how the current India-Canada spat is impacting the wellbeing of Indian students.



To access full survey findings or download the pdf report click: <u>Survey of Indian Students in Canada</u>



Indian students in Canada are a bridge for people-to-people contact between the two countries. We hope that our survey is used by the stakeholders to take action to reassure students."

Ashish Bhatia, Founder of LooneyTooney.ca

The top 5 findings of the survey are:

- 1) 69% of students reported being somewhat or extremely anxious.
- 2) Many students are concerned about their physical safety 32% feel less safe than before. Parents are even more
- worried 77% of students report that their parents back in India are either paranoid or worried.
- 3) 50% of students said that they are less likely to recommend Canada as a study destination. This may impact the enrollment of Indian students next semester.
- 4) The biggest concern (over 50%) is that travel and career

plans have become uncertain - will the Canadian government reciprocate by stopping visa processing or will there be delays in processing work permits?

5) The positive highlight is that over 80% have no intention of changing their long-term plans to stay in Canada. They believe that the current tension is temporary and will not have a long-term

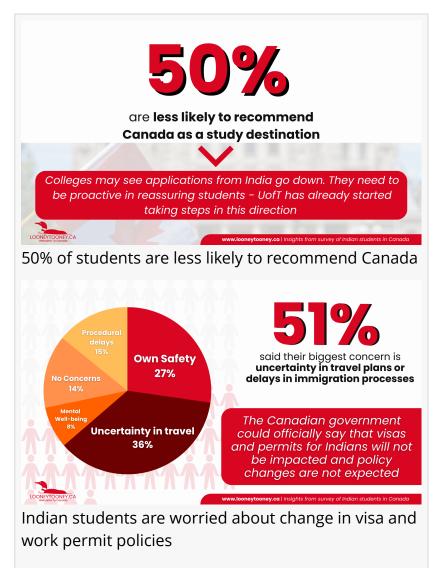
effect.

Stakeholders can use the results to fine-tune their responses to support students:

- 1) Colleges should offer their Indian students support services like mental health helplines and immigration process guidance. Words of support by senior administration will also help.
  2) The Canadian government could consider officially stating that visas and permits for students will not be impacted and policy changes are not expected.
- 3) Ordinary citizens could proactively talk to the students they know. A little show of kindness can go a long way.

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