

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3034
ANSWERED ON:22.12.2003
INDIAN WORKERS ABROAD
SURESH KURUP

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Indian workers working in various countries of West Asia, country-wise;
- (b) the percentage of migration from various states of the country to major foreign countries reported during the last three years;
- (c) whether the Indian Missions, posts in these countries have adequate number of officers and staff to deal exclusively with the problems they face and to mediate when necessary with the employers and the authorities;
- (d) if so, the strength of such staff, mission/post-wise; and
- (e) if not the steps being initiated to remedy the situation?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SAHIB SINGH VERMA)

- (a) & (b): A statement is annexed.
- (c): Yes, Sir.
- (d): Details are given in the Statement annexed.
- (e): Does not arise.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A), (B) AND (D) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3034
22.12.2003 BY SHRI SURESH KURUP REGARDING INDIAN WORKERS WORKING IN COUNTRIES OF WEST ASIA +
SIZABLE INDIAN WORKERS.

Country	Number of Indian workers	Percentage of migration from various states of the country	Strength of staff, mission/post-wise
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1. Bahrain 70,000 (estimate) 65%- Kerala
35%-Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pr.,
Punjab (estimates) 1-First Secretary/Second Secretary
1- AttachÃ©
1- Local staff
2. Kuwait 3,50,463 Information not available. 1-First Secretary
1- AttachÃ©
4- Non-gazetted Officials.
3. Oman 2,78,630 60%- Kerala
20%-Other Southern States
20%-from rest of India
(all estimates) 1-First Secretary
1- AttachÃ©
1- Assistant
1- Arabic Interpreter
4- Local staff

4. Qatar 1,40,000 (estimate) Not available 1- Counsellor
1- Attaché
1- Assistant
1- Clerk/Interpreter

5. Saudi Arabia 11,50,000 40-50%- Kerala
Andhra Pradesh
20%- Tamil Nadu
15-20%- Other States
(all estimates) Embassy of India, Riyadh
1-First Secretary
1- Attaché
2- Assistants
16- Local Staff
Consulate General of India, Jeddah
1-Consul
2-Vice Consuls
2- Assistants
6- Local Staff

6. United Arab
Emirates Not available (No
Census has been
conducted by the
Government of United
Arab Emirates
since 1982).However
the number of Indian
is one million. Not available (No Census
has been conducted by
the Government of United
Arab Emirates since 1982). Embassy of India, Abu Dhabi
1-Second Secretary
2- Local Staff
Consulate General of India, Dubai
1-Second Secretary
1- Assistant
1- Local Staff