

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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OPENING OF REGIONAL AUTHENTICATION CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has authorised all State Governments to authenticate the educational certificates of those seeking to go abroad for employment or higher studies and asked them to open Regional Authentication Centres for the purpose; and

(b) if so, the names of States that have opened such centres so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. A. A. FATMI)

(a) Yes, Sir. The Government of India has requested 14 State Governments from which a large number of people are going abroad for employment to authorize the officials of the Education Departments to authenticate the educational qualifications. The State Governments are free to open Regional Authentication Centres if they consider it necessary.

(b) The Government of Kerala has issued orders on 30.7.2004 for opening Regional Authentication Centres one each at Kochi and Kozhikode.