

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5610  
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OUTSOURCING WORK OF PASSPORT VISA AND OCI CARDS  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the work pertaining to Passport, Visa and Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) Cards have been outsourced;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the criteria for floating tenders in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMED)

- (a) Yes.
- (b) List of Missions/Posts implementing outsourcing work is enclosed.
- (c) Missions/Posts receiving an average of 100 applications or more in the respective category per working day on annual basis have been advised to implement the Outsourcing Scheme as per established norms based on the guidelines issued by Ministry and Central Vigilance Commission. The bidding companies with sound financial background and expertise and at least one year experience in the relevant outsourcing work are eligible to apply.