

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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CONSULAR EXCHANGE PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to open Consulates of India in any other foreign countries under the Consular Exchange Programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of Consulates which are functioning in Indian cities other than the capital city;
- (d) whether any pending proposals are there to open new Consulates in India; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR)

- (a) & (b) There is currently no proposal to open any new Consulate of India abroad.
- (c) There are 81 Consulates of foreign governments in the Indian cities other than the Capital city. The details are appended at ANNEXURE-A.
- (d) & (e) The details of pending proposals for opening of new Consulates in India are appended at ANNEXURE-B.