

Title: Request to consider the proposal of opening a Consulate in Kerala by the Government of UAE to improve the conditions of Malyalees working in Gulf countries.

SHRI VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN : Sir, over a lakh of Malyalees are employed in the Gulf countries. Recently, the visa conditions have become very difficult and due to this, they find it very difficult to proceed to the Gulf countries. I may be permitted to submit that all the Malyalees are to go to Mumbai to get visa clearance. This has become very difficult. At the same time, the UAE Government has approached the Government of India for opening a consulate in Kerala.... (Interruptions)

*Not Recorded.

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Nothing will go on record except what Shri Radhakrishnan says.

... (Interruptions)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: You will not get a chance if you insist like this.

SHRI VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN : Now, the UAE Government has requested the Central Government to open a Consulate in Kerala. The Central Government may consider the proposal of opening a Consulate in Kerala to improve the conditions of lakh of Malyalees working in gulf countries.