

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:166
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OPENING OF VISA OFFICE OF PAKISTAN IN AMRITSAR
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has received any representation from pilgrims, traders, tourists etc. to open a visa office of Pakistan in Amritsar;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) There have been suggestions from some quarters in India for opening visa offices of India and Pakistan in Lahore and Amritsar respectively. However, at present there is no such proposal under consideration.