

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

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SETTING UP OF ARAB CULTURAL CENTRE AT JAMIA MILLIA ISLAMIA .

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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether the Government has decided to set up an Arab Cultural Centre at Jamia Millia Islamia;
- (b) If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) The objectives of such Centre in future?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c): The power to establish such Centers in a Central University as are, in the opinion of the University, necessary for the furtherance of its objects vests in the University itself. According to the information furnished by Jamia Millia Islamia, its Executive Council has approved, on 28th May, 2006, setting up of an Arab Cultural Centre. The Centre shall be fully funded by the University Grants Commission. Apart from serving as a repository of information on the Arab world, particularly Saudi Arabia, the Centre would aim, inter-alia, as furthering exchanges amongst writers, scholars and thinkers of both the countries, thereby enlarging the focus of Indo-Arab ties.