GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS **RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1663** ANSWERED ON- 03/08/2023

INDIAN SCHOOLS IN GULF COUNTRIES

1663. SHRI JOSE K. MANI

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether Government has the data regarding the number of Indian schools operating in Gulf countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof, country-wise;

(c) whether Government has any plan to encourage the Indian community in Gulf countries to establish more number of Indian schools to cater the demand of migrant families by providing low cost education in Indian syllabus; and

(d) if so, details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS\

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a & b) The country-wise details are as under:

Country	No. of Indian schools
Bahrain	8
Kuwait	26
Oman	21
Qatar	19
Saudi Arabia	37
UAE	106

(c & d) At present there are a large number of Indian schools operating in Gulf countries which cater to the needs of Indian expatriate population based in the region. Opening of new schools by the Indian community depends on requirements for the same and is

subject to approval of local authorities in the countries concerned. The Government is always supportive of any such initiative taken by Indian community for providing quality education to NRI children at affordable costs.
