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RAJYA SABHA
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INDIAN CONSULATES

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

- (a) the number of consulates that are in place in different countries;
- (b) the average staff strength per Consulate; and
- (c) the budget spent on these Consulates, country-wise details?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a) India maintains 56 Consulates in various countries.

(b) The staff strength of a Consulate is decided based on functional requirements such as potential for deepening cooperation, bilateral trade and investment, diaspora presence, the need to bolster political outreach, and to signal India's commitment to stepping up of diplomatic engagement with important regions.

(c) The total budget allocation for Embassies and Consulates for the FY 2023-24 is Rs. 3528.85 crores.
