# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF TOURISM

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1862 ANSWERED ON 13.03.2023

### **VACANCIES IN OVERSEAS TOURISM OFFICES**

## **1862. SHRIMATI CHINTA ANURADHA:**

# Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of posts in the Overseas Tourism Offices of India;
- (b) whether it is a fact that three fourths of the posts in the Overseas Tourism Offices remain vacant;
- (c) if so, the reasons for the delay in filing up of the posts; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken to fill the positions lying vacant?

#### ANSWER

### THE MINISTER OF TOURISM

(SHRI G. KISHAN RADDY)

- (a) & (b): The total number of sanctioned posts in Overseas India Tourism Offices is thirty-one (31). Six (06) officers are presently posted in Overseas India Tourism Offices.
- (c) & (d): It has been decided with the approval of the Competent Authority to wind up all the Overseas India Tourism Offices by or before 31.03.2023.

Further on the request of Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of External Affairs has designated Tourism Officers in all the important source market so as to carry out overseas promotional activities in effective manner and to promote India as a holistic destination in the tourism generating markets to increase India's share of the global tourism market. These objectives would be met through an integrated marketing and promotional strategy.

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