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QUESTION NO.176 TEN YEAR UAE VISA FOR SPECIALISTS

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RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.176
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2018

TEN YEAR UAE VISA FOR SPECIALISTS

176. SHRI K.C. RAMAMURTHY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that UAE has announced ten year visa for specialists working in exceptional field like science, research, medicine and technology;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and how the Ministry propagates this to talented youth to grab this opportunity at a time when US, UK, Australia, etc. are putting barriers in issuing visas;
- (c) whether UAE is also opening other opportunities for our entrepreneurs along with what is mentioned in part (a) above; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI M. J. AKBAR)

(a) & (b) Yes. The UAE Cabinet has announced 10 year visas for specialists working in exceptional fields like science, research, medical and technology. Indications are that the details will be announced by the end of 2018. The Ministry will continue to work in close cooperation with the UAE authorities with a view to safeguarding the interests of Indian Nationals.

(c) & (d) Yes. Along with the long-term visas for the specialists, the UAE Cabinet has also announced 10 years residency visa to entrepreneurs/investors. Further, the UAE Cabinet has approved 100% foreign ownership of companies in the UAE, which has previously been limited to those companies which are based in the free zones. Indications are that the details will be announced by the end of 2018.



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