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FRROs in All State Capitals by 2027: MHA

The Ministry of Home Affairs announced plans to establish Foreigners Regional Registration Offices in all State capitals by 2027 to streamline immigration services.

Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) is an administrative office that regulates the registration, movement, and visa extensions of foreign nationals visiting India.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The Union **Ministry of Home Affairs** announced on **November 2, 2026**, that Foreigners Regional Registration Offices will be established in all State capitals by 2027.
- Since **2025**, five new FRROs have been established across the country, including two set up in the year **2026**.
- The expansion initiative aims to improve accessibility to immigration and consular services for international visitors.
- The administrative measure is designed to strengthen **regulatory compliance** regarding foreign nationals visiting India.
- Union Home Minister **Amit Shah** directed the policy steps to fortify the institutional framework for managing foreign nationals.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

Entry, stay, and departure of foreigners in India are primarily regulated under the **Foreigners Act, 1946**.

Citizenship and immigration matters fall under the **Union List** (List I) of the **Seventh Schedule** of the Indian Constitution.

Article 9 of the Indian Constitution stipulates that persons voluntarily acquiring citizenship of a foreign State shall cease to be citizens of India.

The **Bureau of Immigration** (BOI) functions under the administrative control of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

The **Registration of Foreigners Rules, 1992**, mandate registration formalities for foreign nationals visiting India on long-term or specific visas.

Passports Act, 1967, governs the issuance of passports and travel documents to Indian citizens and regulates departure from India.

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MHA plans to establish Foreigners Regional Registration Offices (FRROs) in all State capitals by 2027.

Syllabus Relevance: Important for understanding central administrative policies, home ministry initiatives, and statutory frameworks regarding foreigners in India.

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