



**Departures for Foreign Employment Through Direct & Registered Sources
by Sex 1997 - 2007***

Year	Direct			Registered			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1997	10,048	25,185	35,233	27,504	87,546	115,050	37,552	112,731	150,283
1998	18,918	28,335	47,253	34,949	77,614	112,563	53,867	105,949	159,816
1999	29,123	29,985	59,108	34,597	86,030	120,627	63,720	116,015	179,735
2000	27,157	27,416	54,573	32,636	94,979	127,615	59,793	122,395	182,188
2001	26,620	24,920	51,540	33,187	99,280	132,467	59,807	124,200	184,007
2002	28,030	22,769	50,799	42,492	110,482	152,974	70,522	133,251	203,773
2003	32,487	22,662	55,149	42,021	112,676	154,697	74,508	135,338	209,846
2004	34,563	24,000	58,563	46,136	110,010	156,146	80,699	134,010	214,709
2005	40,146	25,437	65,583	53,750	111,957	165,707	93,896	137,394	231,290
2006	36,579	24,192	60,771	53,591	87,586	141,177	90,170	111,778	201,948
2007*	44,888	26,387	71,275	57,741	88,290	146,031	102,629	114,677	217,306

*Provisional

Source: Information Technology Division-SLBFE

The statistics of the above show that the percentage of through direct sources was 32 per cent while the registered sources take the rest 68 percent. During the year 2006 this was 30 percent and 70 percent respectively.

It is also very clear that, number of foreign employment through registered source, had been increased from 141,177 in 2006 to 146,031 in 2007.