ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN UNDER G20 SUMMIT

*22. SHRI T. R. BAALU

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the activities proposed to be undertaken under G20 Meet to be held in India in the near future;

(b) the reasons for consulting and co-opting the State Governments and political parties in conducting G20 Summit; and

(c) whether any tangible economic benefits are expected to be achieved from this Summit apart from improvement in diplomatic relations at multilateral levels and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(DR. S. JAISHANKAR)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.
Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) in respect of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 22 for reply on 03.02.2023 regarding Activities undertaken under G20 Summit asked by Shri T. R. Baalu.

(a to c) During its G20 Presidency, India will host around 200 meetings across the country in more than 50 cities. 30 different work-streams comprising of Sherpa Track Working Groups, Finance Track workstreams, Ministerial meetings and Engagement Groups will be holding their deliberative sessions. The G20 Leaders’ Summit has been scheduled for 9-10 September 2023 in New Delhi.

The Government believes that the G20 Presidency is a unique occasion to demonstrate India’s achievements, capabilities and diversity. Therefore, it was felt that the programmes must be approached in a ‘whole of India’ manner and events are scheduled accordingly. These naturally are being organized in consultation with various state governments. Since this prestigious occasion is regarded as a national opportunity, various political parties were also engaged in the process of preparation. This overall endeavour reflects the Government’s commitment to cooperative federalism.

The substantive deliberations in broad priority areas during our G20 Presidency include, inter-alia, matters relating to inclusive and resilient growth; progress on SDGs, green development and Lifestyle for Environment (Mission LiFE); technological transformation and public digital infrastructure; reforming multilateral institutions; women led development; and international peace and harmony. Outcomes in these areas would emerge out of the deliberations during the course of our G20 Presidency.

It is also expected that India would articulate the concerns of the Global South and help build consensus on polarizing issues in contemporary international politics.

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