GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-4905 ANSWERED ON- 31/03/2023

ANTI-INDIA POSTERS AT GENEVA

4905. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY, SHRI MANICKAM TAGORE B. SHRI JAI PRAKASH

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government has taken note that malicious anti-India posters that have been put up at the square outside the UN Building in Geneva recently just before the session on UN Human Rights Council alleging harassment of minorities and women;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

- (a & b) The posters were placed at a public place which is offered by the City of Geneva authorities on a daily payment basis to anyone who wishes to put up publicity material. This place is usually used by civil society organisations and other elements to display material and hold demonstrations, particularly during the period when the Human Rights Council holds its session.
- (c) The Ministry of External Affairs had summoned the Swiss Ambassador in New Delhi on 5 March 2023 and lodged a protest over the issue of putting up unfounded and malicious anti-India posters in front of the UN building in Geneva.
