GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-4957 ANSWERED ON-31/03/2023

COUNTRIES PARTICIPATION IN G-20

4957. SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a meeting of the External Affair ministers of G-20 countries was held in New Delhi recently and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the G-20 countries who participated and who did not participate in this meeting;
- (c) the reasons for non-participation of foreign ministers of some G-20 countries in this meeting;
- (d) the details of all the issues relating to terrorism, climate crisis, food and energy security etc. discussed in the meeting;
- (e) whether this meeting of foreign ministers of G-20 countries will help improve the trade and relations between the member countries and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether new possibilities of development are likely to emerge in the country through trade and exchange in other areas with South Asian countries under aegis of G-20, if so, the details thereof and the other steps taken to further improve the trade and relation between G-20 countries?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN)

(a to c) The G20 Foreign Ministers Meeting was held in New Delhi on 01-02 March 2023, at which a "Chair's Summary and Outcome Document" was adopted. All G20 Members, including Foreign Ministers of 18 G20 members (including India), Minister of State from Japan and Vice Minister from Republic of Korea participated in person. In addition, Foreign Ministers of all 9 Guest countries and Comoros (AU Chair) also participated in-person.

(d to f) The Foreign Ministers brought focus on multilateralism, international trade, food and energy security, climate and environmental action, cooperation on sustainable development, counter-terrorism, counter-narcotics, global health, global talent pool, humanitarian assistance and disaster risk reduction, as well as gender equality and women's empowerment. G20 deliberations contribute towards addressing contemporary global challenges and strengthening of regional and international cooperation.
