### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1771 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.02.2022

### KALADAN MULTI MODAL TRANSIT TRANSPORT PROJECT

#### 1771. SHRI C. LALROSANGA:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and progress of construction along with the salient features of the Kaladan Multi Modal Transit Transport Project;
- (b) the details of funds allocated and utilised under the said project; and
- (c) the status of work done and expected date for completion of the project?

# ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [SHRI V. MURALEEDHARAN]

- (a) The Kaladan Multi Modal Transit Transport Project includes a waterways component of 158 km on the Kaladan river from Sittwe Port to Paletwa in Myanmar and a road component of 109 km from Paletwa to Zorinpui on the India-Myanmar border in Mizoram state.
- (b) The revised project cost approved by the Union Cabinet in October 2015 is Rs. 2904.04 crore. As on date, an amount of Rs. 629 crore has been utilised.
- (c) The waterways component comprising of Port and Inland Water Transport (IWT) terminal at Sittwe; IWT terminal and related facilities at Paletwa; navigational channel along Kaladan river from Sittwe to Paletwa; and six self-propelled IWT vessels have been completed. A port operator jointly appointed by the Governments of India and Myanmar, has started maintenance of the Port since February 2020. Progress on construction work of the road component has been slow, mainly due to the security situation on the Myanmar side and the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Efforts for an expeditious completion of the project are underway.

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