GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.506 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2022

INDIAN INVESTMENTS IN AFGHANISTAN

506. SHRI PINAKI MISRA:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state :

- (a) the names and investment details along with the present status of all developmental projects which were under construction while Taliban took over Afghanistan;
- (b) whether these works are in progress now and if so, the expected date of completion of each of these projects; and
- (c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to resume the work?

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

(a) to (c) India has been engaged in a development partnership with Afghanistan, which includes more than five hundred projects spread across each of the 34 provinces of the country in critical areas of power, water supply, road connectivity, healthcare, education, agriculture and capacity building. In all, more than USD 3 billion have been invested in the welfare of the people of Afghanistan.

The vast majority of the projects committed to by the Government of India in Afghanistan have been completed and handed over.

As a neighbor and long-standing partner of Afghanistan, India is concerned about recent developments in Afghanistan, and will continue to monitor the situation there.
