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MEGA PROJECTS

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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether at least seven of the 11 mega projects being executed by India in the neighbouring countries were suffering from cost and time overruns;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the names of the countries where these projects are executed;
- (d) the cost of these projects;
- (e) the original time schedule for their completion; and
- (f) the time by which these projects are likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI G.K.VASAN)

(a) to (f) According to the definition adopted for monitoring of Central Sector Projects, projects costing Rs.1000 crores and above are classified as mega projects. According to the Ministry of External Affairs, 7 projects which are not mega projects, but are under implementation in the neighbouring countries, have time and cost overruns. The country-wise details of these projects including cost, completion schedule, reasons for time and cost overruns and action taken is given in the Statement at Annexure-I.