GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1758 ANSWERED ON:04.08.2010 ROAD PROJECTS IN MYANMAR Meinya Dr. Thokchom

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India is actively involved in many road projects in Myanmar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Morch-Tamu-Kalawa-Kalemyo road project is completed;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the road i.e. Morch-Tamu-Kalawa-Kalemyo is going to be a part of Trans-Asian Highway connecting India to Singapore via Myanmar, Thailand and Malaysia; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

(a) Yes.

(b) Government of India is involved in the following road projects in Myanmar:

i. Rhi-Tiddim Road: Government of India has agreed to construct Rhi-Tiddim Road (80 Km).

ii. Trilateral Highway: At a trilateral ministerial level meeting held in Yangon on 5-6 April, 2002 between India, Myanmar and Thailand, it was agreed that the three countries would cooperate for construction of a highway from Morch in India to Moe Sot in Thailand through Bagan in Myanmar. The total length of this trilateral route is approximately 1,360 km.

iii. Tamu-Kalawa-Kalmeyo(TKK) Road: 160 km long TKK road in Myanmar across Manipur was constructed by BRO in 2001. BRO was also engaged for maintenance and resurfacing of TKK Road.

(c) & (d) The resurfacing of the major portion of the Tamu-Kalewa-Kalmeyo (TKK) Road (132 km) has been completed and handed over to the Myanmar side in September 2009. The stretch between Kyigone and Kalewa(28 km) is under construction by BRO.

(e) No.

(f) Does not arise.