GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:379 ANSWERED ON:10.11.2010 UNVEILING OF MAHATMA GANDHI STATUE Reddy Shri Magunta Srinivasulu

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Mahatma Gandhi's statue was unveiled at an Australian University;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including various other countries where statues have been unveiled; and
- (c) the assistance being provided by the Government in setting up such statues?

Answer

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

- (a) ICCR has supplied a bust of Mahatma Gandhi to the University of New South Wales in Australia during October 2009. The bust was formally installed and opened to the public on 1st September, 2010.
- (b) The details of statue/bust of Mahatma Gandhi supplied by ICCR from 2001 till today is enclosed. (ANNEXURE I)
- (c) ICCR pays for making of the busts/statues by select sculptors and their transportation to the Missions who have requested for them.