## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1794 ANSWERED ON:26.07.2017 Kaladan Project Deka Shri Ramen

## Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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- (a) the details of steps taken/being taken by the Indian and Myanmar Governments to expedite the work of Kaladan Multi-modal project;
- (b) whether any time bound programme has been chalked out to complete the project; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

- (a) Both the Governments of India and Myanmar have been taking necessary steps to expedite the work of the Kaladan Multi Modal Transit Transport project. These steps include close supervision/monitoring of work by the project management consultants; regular review through multiple monitoring mechanisms, including review committee, bilateral working committee, etc.; facilitation of clearances, approvals and security by Myanmar authorities and coordination of implementation by Ministry of External Affairs and Indian Mission/Post.
- (b) Yes. A time bound programme for completing different components of the Kaladan project has been chalked out.
- (c) The port at Sittwe, Inland Water Transport (IWT) terminals at Sittwe and Paletwa, back-up facilities, navigational channel and all six self-propelled IWT vessels have already been completed. Work on road component has begun and is targeted to be finished in 3 years. Before that, certain additional waterway works are scheduled for completion by April 2019.