#### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

# RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2155 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2021

#### **HUMANITARIAN AID TO AFGHANISTAN**

#### †2155. SMT. GEETA ALIAS CHANDRAPRABHA:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state

- (a) whether Government has prepared any roadmap to provide humanitarian aid including wheat and lifesaving drugs to Afghanistan;
- (b) whether Government is providing humanitarian aid to other countries also; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the name of such countries?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a) India has historical and civilizational ties with Afghanistan. Our special relationship with the Afghan people and UNSC Resolution 2593 will continue to guide India's approach to Afghanistan. In this endeavour, India has committed to provide 50,000 MT of wheat, essential life saving medicines and COVID Vaccines to the Afghan people as humanitarian assistance. A shipment of 2 tonnes of essential life saving medicines was sent on 10 December 2021 from Delhi to Kabul by a special flight.
- (b) & (c) India provides humanitarian assistance to various countries as and when required. During the current financial year beginning April 2021, details of humanitarian assistance provided are placed at annexure-1.

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### ANNEXURE -1

| Country    | Nature of Assistance   |
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| Cambodia   | 3000 Dignity Kits as flood relief  |
| Indonesia  | Supply of 100 MT of Liquid Medical Oxygen and 300 Nos of Oxygen Concentrators in August 2021; Complementary Lease of 10 Oxygen tanks.  |
| Thailand   | 300 Oxygen Concentrators in September 2021.  |
| Vietnam    | Supply of 100 MT of Liquid Medical Oxygen in Sept 2021 and 300 Nos. of Oxygen Concentrators in Sept 2021.  3000 Dignity Kits as flood relief   |
| Fiji       | As a gesture of friendship and solidarity, a consignment of nearly 07 tons of 14 Varieties of Fruit and Vegetable seeds requested by the Government of Fiji has been delivered as a grant, for restoration of livelihood of communities affected by Tropical Cyclone Yasa. |
|            | Donation of Anti-Retroviral Drugs from National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO), India to Fiji through UNAIDS India to avoid stock outs in Fiji.  |
| Myanmar    | Covid medical assistance including Body bag, Oxygen cylinder, Masks, Rapid Test Kits, Oxygen Concentrator, medicines, oxygen plants etc. given to Myanmar.   |
| Bangladesh | Covid medical assistance consisting of Oxygen Plant, Masks,<br>Oxygen Concentrator to Bangladesh.  |
| Madagascar | 1000 MT of rice  |
| Comoros    | 1000 MT of rice  |
| Bhutan     | 50,000 RT-PCR tests  06 portable digital x-ray machines  |
| Nepal      | Flood relief package   |
|            | Cambodia Indonesia  Thailand Vietnam  Fiji  Myanmar  Bangladesh  Madagascar Comoros  |

|     |            | Aid from Indian Army to Nepali Army  |
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|     |            | <ul> <li>BIPAP Machine: 10 Nos</li> <li>RTD Antigen Kit for COVID-19: 50,000 Nos</li> <li>PCR Test Kit for COVID-19: 50,000 Nos</li> <li>Virus Transport Media with Swab: 50,000 Nos</li> <li>N95 Masks: 150,000 Nos</li> <li>PPE (Full set incl N95 Mask): 100,000 Nos</li> <li>Waste Autoclave &gt;= 500 filter: 02 Nos</li> <li>Multifunctional ICU Bed: 20 Nos</li> <li>Manual Sprayer: 50 Nos</li> <li>Advanced Life Support Amb: 04 Nos</li> <li>Ambulance Type 'C' l: 2 Nos</li> <li>Spare Parts of Air Compressor for Oxygen generation Plant: 01 Set</li> </ul> |
|     |            | A Medical Oxygen plant has been installed at B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences at Dharan, Nepal (August 2021) by GoI which has a capacity to serve 200 patients simultaneously. The Oxygen Plant has been developed by DRDO and it utilizes Pressure Swing Adsorption technique.   |
| 12. | Mozambique | 500 MT Rice<br>PPP Kits/gloves/sanitizers  |
| 13. | Malawi     | Essential Medicines (supplied in two trances)  |
| 14. | Rwanda     | Anti HIV Aids drugs  |

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