### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4066 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.04.2022

#### DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS ACROSS THE WORLD

#### 4066. SHRI IRANNA KADADI:

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

- (a) the number of active Indians diplomatic missions across the world working under the Ministry;
- (b) the total expenditure incurred by Government for running all the diplomatic missions;
- (c) the number of Indian embassies, high commissions and consulates currently active in the world, the data of the total staff, both diplomatic and non-diplomatic working under various missions and operations; and
- (d) schemes and projects undertaken by Indian Diplomatic mission to engage with the Indian community under their jurisdiction in order to ensure their safety?

#### **ANSWER**

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

- (a) & (c) There are 202 active Indian diplomatic Missions and Posts across the world with total staff strength of 5436 as on 1 March 2022.
- (b) Total expenses incurred by the Government for running all the diplomatic Missions and Posts abroad, in FY 2020-21 was Rs 2797.16 crore.
- (d) The Government accords highest priority to safety, security and well-being of Indian citizens abroad. Our Missions and Posts abroad remain vigilant, and closely monitor and actively follow up grievances of Indians with the authorities concerned in foreign countries. The e-Migrate portal, Pre-Departure Orientation Training Programme, MADAD portal, Indian Community Welfare Fund, etc. are important mechanisms in this regard.

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