

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

**MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

LOK SABHA

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**INDIAN PROJECTS IN AFGHANISTAN**

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

(a) whether the Government has made any assessment of various ongoing projects signed between India and Afghanistan during the last three years and the current year;

(b) if so, the details in this regard, project-wise; and

(c) the details of the financial assistance provided and actual expenditure incurred on each of such projects during the above period, project – wise?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) & (b) India has undertaken projects in all parts of Afghanistan, in a wide range of sectors, including hydro-electricity, power transmission lines, road construction, industry, telecommunications, information and broadcasting, and capacity building, which have been identified by the Afghan Government as priority areas for reconstruction and development. In addition, India has undertaken community level small development projects in the field of agriculture, rural development, education and health throughout Afghanistan that have direct and visible impact on community life and with a focus on local ownership and management. Moreover, free medical treatment is provided by the five Indian Medical Missions in Afghanistan. Our projects are continuously monitored and supervised by the Indian Mission/Posts in Afghanistan, in coordination with the relevant Afghanistan authorities and project implementing agencies.

(c): The year-wise expenditure incurred on various projects since 2007 is as under:

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| (i)   | 2007 – 08 | : Rs. 467.55 Crore                 |
| (ii)  | 2008 – 09 | : Rs. 410.41 Crore                 |
| (iii) | 2009 – 10 | : Rs. 208.49 Crore                 |
| (iv)  | 2010 – 11 | : Rs. 83.15 Crore (upto June 2010) |