

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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JV OPERATIONS OF IA AND AI
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

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(a) Whether Air India(AI) and Indian Airlines (IA) are planning to float a Joint Venture (JV) to bid for ground handling operations at newly built Hyderabad, Delhi and Mumbai airports ;

(b) If so, the details thereof ;

(c) Whether AI and IA will also associate foreign players in the process; and

(d) If so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b), (c) and (d): The Air India Board in its meeting held on 20.10.2006 has decided to submit a tender jointly with Indian Airlines for ground handling at GMR Hyderabad International Airport Limited(GHIAL). Final decision on associating a foreign partner in the tender has not been taken as yet. In respect of Delhi and Mumbai airport, Air India and Indian Airlines are, currently, carrying out ground handling activity independently.