

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Need to sanction an airport in Adilabad, Telangana

***SHRI SOYAM BAPU RAO (ADILABAD):** Sir, I request the Government through you to provide fully functional airport in Adilabad district. Union Government should take initiative to set up an airport in Adilabad, which is strategically located and demarcates North and South India. In 2014, there was a joint survey of Government of India and Indian Air Force for airport in this district. Indian Air Force has requested for acquisition of 1900 acres of land for airport but Telangana Government could not provide that land in the last five years. Till now, 1400 acres of land could be identified but as Chief Minister KCR didn't issue NOC, this project is still pending. There is 369 acres of land under Indian Air Force in Adilabad district. If Air Force Station and Airport could be set up here, it will improve air connectivity between Hyderabad, Nagpur and other places. It will also address unemployment problem in a backward district like Adilabad, by providing ample job opportunities. Therefore, I request Union Government to sanction airport in Adilabad at the earliest. I thank you sir, for giving me this opportunity to speak in Zero hour.