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Title: Regarding renaming of International Airport at Chandigarh/Mohali after Shaheed Bhagat Singh - Laid

SHRI PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA (ANANDPUR SAHIB): The International airport at Mohali which is known as International Airport, Chandigarh may be named with the name after great freedom fighter Shaheed Bhagat Singh who played a great role in the Indian freedom struggle. To unite and nurture the feeling of nationalism he got himself arrested and hanged only for the sake of creating the feeling of patriotism in the country. As a result, people in large numbers joined the freedom struggle and started protesting against the Britishers. Some people stopped paying the land tax. All generations memorize Shaheed Bhagat Singh as their hero but find that nation has not yet recognised his contribution. People of all the communities have great respect for Shaheed Bhagat Singh specially youngsters acknowledge him as his Role Model. The International Airport, Chandigarh is frequently used by the people of Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh. The Punjab Government had already recommended for rechristening the airport and Chandigarh has no objection while Haryana Government which had some objections has now agreed to name it as Shaheed Bhagat Singh International Airport.

Keeping in view the above, I would request the Central Government to name the International Airport, Chandigarh as Shaheed Bhagat Singh International Airport, Mohali. Mohali should also be attached in the last because headquarters falls in the Mohali land.