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Title : Regarding completion of Kozhikode Airport in Kerala

DR. M. P. ABDUSSAMAD SAMADANI (MALAPPURAM): I hereby draw the kind attention of the Government towards the crisis that has taken place in the completion of the official formalities of the development project of Kozhikode Airport in Kerala. The crisis, which is related with the financial aspect of the project, can be solved by effective and positive co-ordination between the Central and State Government departments. I, therefore, request the Hon. Minister of Civil Aviation to initiate such a move and do the needful for starting the delayed development work at the earliest. Meanwhile, there are reports that the concerned authorities may be deciding to reduce the length of the airport runway, considering the non-completion of the essential official formalities by the concerned. I also request the Government to cancel the idea which was already given up by the Hon. Minister on the request of Members of Parliament representing the area. The curtailment of the runway will be very harmfully affecting the well-being, welfare, the day-to-day functioning and future development of this airport on which a large number of passengers, including Pravasis, from Kerala would be dependent.