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International Airport Authority of India

2268. SHR SHANKERSINH VAGHELA:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to merge the National Airport Authority with the International Airport Authority of India;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the stage at which the proposal stands at present?

THE MINISTER FOR CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c). The Government have decided, in principle, to merge National Airport Authority and International Airports Authority of India. The modalities of merger are being worked out. A few of the salient features are as follows:-

- (i) better coordination by a single authority;
- (ii) optimal utilisation of resources to promote integrated development of airports infrastructure in all aspects including Air Traffic Control and communication systems;
- (iii) generation of more revenue by efficient management by a single authority;

(iv) better utilisation of expertise in airport design, planning and pooling of management resources for improved efficiency.

Import of Oils

2269. SHRIMATI CHANDRA PRABHURS: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Instrumental Landing System (ILS) has been installed in major airports;

(b) if so, whether the existing ILS is not helpful for certain aircraft;

(c) if so, whether there is any proposal to import modern ILS; and

(d) if so, the details thereof including the estimated cost?

THE MINISTER FOR CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Instrument Landing System is provided at aerodromes used by Jet aircraft if the weather or terrain conditions requires the same.

(b) The existing Instrument Landing Systems are helpful to all aircraft provided these are fitted with corresponding airborne equipment.

(c) The imports have been necessitated to meet the immediate needs.

(d) The details of Instrument Landing System equipment being imported is as under:-

<i>Scheme</i>	<i>Name of airports</i>	<i>Estimated cost</i>
8 ILS	(a) To be installed as replacement at Delhi, Calcutta, Madras and Nagpur	Rs. 15.021