

**Need to increase the flight services from Kannur and Calicut International Airports and also include Kannur Airport in Point of Call list- laid**

**SHRI K. MURALEEDHARAN (VADAKARA):** I would like to raise a matter regarding the frequent cancellation of flights from Kannur and Calicut Airports to domestic and International destinations. Air passengers are facing difficulty in travelling to reach their destinations. The air passengers are depending now on Cochin and Mangalore Airports, which are very far away for passengers travelling from different districts of Malabar region of Kerala State. Now the Kannur International Airport is facing great losses in crore. Only two Airlines are now operating from this airport. As the number of flights decreased and the fare increased, the International Airlines are not operating their services. Despite having a wide runway with enough space to safely take off any type of aircraft and a terminal with all modern facilities the airport faces neglect. Earlier Air India was operating direct flight via Calicut airport to Delhi but unfortunately this flight has also been cancelled last march 2023. Many representations have been given to the Ministry of Civil Aviation for the inclusion of Kannur Airport in point of call list but it is still pending. I, therefore, request the Government to give a direction to Air India airline and other private airlines to increase their services from Kannur and Calicut International Airports to domestic and international destinations and also include Kannur airport in point of call list.