

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to give the status of the international airport to the airports of the major cities in the country;
- (b) if so, the names of the airports being given the status of international airports;
- (c) whether the airport of Aurangabad in Maharashtra is also proposed to be given the status of the international airport after upgradation of facilities at the airport; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a), (b), (c) & (d):- The airports at Bangalore, Amritsar, Guwahati, Goa, Ahmedabad and Hyderabad managed by the Airports Authority of India and the new Cochin International Airport at Kochi managed by the Cochin International Airport Limited have been declared as international airports on 23-05-2000. This is an ongoing process depending upon the demand for international operations, availability of infrastructure at the airports as per requirements and the capability of national carriers to fulfil the demand for such international operations. There is no plan, at present, to declare Aurangabad airport as international airport.