

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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SECURITY EQUIPMENTS AT AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there have been complaints that hand-held metal detectors provided by AAI to security personnel at Airports hardly work and that security personnel resort to physical searching of passengers;
- (b) whether similar situation is also reported about multi zone door detectors;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government propose to fix responsibility for selection of such equipment and their poor record of maintenance;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the other measures being considered to remedy the situation?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) & (b) All equipments like Hand Held Metal Detectors and Multi-Zone Door Detectors supplied to the security personnel working at airports are functioning satisfactorily. The airports security personnel have been advised to conduct physical frisking also as some items may not be detected by the electronic equipments.

(c) to (e) Do not arise.

(f) The present Door Frame and Hand Held Metal Detectors are being replaced with latest state of the art equipments in a phased manner.