

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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MODERNISATION OF AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether his ministry has asked for funds from the Ministry of Finance for the upgradation and modernisation of airport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the measures Government propose to take to modernise and upgrade airports in the country during the current plan period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a):- No Sir.

(b):- Does not arise.

(c):- Modernisation and upgradation of airports is a continuous process and is taken up depending upon traffic requirements, availability of funds, economic viability, availability of lands, and social considerations etc. A number of major modernisation / upgradation schemes have been planned during the plan period 2002-2007. These include:

Construction of new terminal complexes (International / Domestic); modification & expansion of existing terminals; construction of integrated cargo terminals; construction of hangar; replacement of aerobridges; strengthening of runway; remote parking bays; strengthening & improvement of secondary runway etc. at the major airports in Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata and Trivandrum.

Similar works like strengthening / extension of runway, construction / modification of terminal building and associated facilities are taken up at Ahmedabad, Amritsar, Lucknow, Hyderabad, Guwahati, Gaya, Vizag, Calicut, Madurai, Coimbatore, Trichy, Jaipur, Aurangabad, Khajuraho, Agartala, Jabalpur, Imphal, Varanasi, Srinagar, Porbandar, Dibrugarh, Dehradun, Jaisalmer, Bhubaneswar, Pathankot, Pune (Civil Enclave).

Besides above, the following schemes are also included in the plan:-

Satellite Based Augmentation System for Satellite Navigation, Establishment of Dedicated Speech Communication Network, Automation of ATC Systems with Flight Data Processing System at all major airports.

Networking of Radar at Delhi, Bombay, Kolkata, Chennai and ATC Centers.

VHF Radio Communication Equipment with Data Link capability, modernisation of CNS facilities and security equipments at all airports.

In addition to above, there are plans for provision of Crash Fire Tender, X-Ray baggage system, Flight Information Display System and computerisation of cargo management system at the airports.