GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1398 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2005 FACILITIES AT HYDERABAD AIRPORT Rao Shri Sambasiva Rayapati

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the various airlines including the State owned Indian Airlines and Air India have raised concerns about the deteriorating facilities at Hyderabad airport;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the facilities at the said airport?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During periodical meetings with airlines and other user agencies, some of the airlines have raised concerns about shortage of parking stands, terminal building relating to the shortage of baggage identification area, mixing of international and domestic passengers, lack of space in the international departure lounge, inadequate X-ray baggage machines at international departures etc. at Hyderabad airport.

(c) In order to meet the requirements of airlines, Airports Authority of India (AAI) has initiated action to improve the facilities at Hyderabad airport such as expansion of apron to increase parking stands, realignment of guideline marking on the apron, expansion of international terminal building to provide additional escalators, elevators, relocation of some of the facilities to improve circulation area etc.