

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURAL FACILITIES

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the number of air passengers is increasing due to increase in air-traffic at certain airports;
- (b) if so, whether new aircraft in sizeable numbers are proposed to be added to different airlines in the country during the next five years;
- (c) if so, the strategy chalked out to develop the infrastructural facilities at the airports in the country keeping in view the increase in the number of flights as well as air passengers; and
- (d) the success achieved by the Government as a result thereof so far?

Answer

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

(a)and (b):- Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d):- Airports Authority of India has undertaken modernization of 35 non-metro airports and also development of international airports at Chennai and Kolkatta. The Government has also restructured the airports at Delhi and Mumbai through Joint venture route for their modernisation and upgradation. Two greenfield airports under public private participation (PPP) are being commissioned at Bangalore and Hyderabad which are likely to become operational by April 2008 and middle of 2008 respectively.