

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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AIRPORT AT JHARSUGUDA
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the site for construction of a civil airport at Jharsuguda area in Orissa been identified;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the work in this regard is likely to be started; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a),(b)& (c) Jharsuguda Airport belonging to Airports Authority of India (AAI) is non-operational for the last two decades. On a request from the Orissa State Government, AAI have planned to develop the existing airport for schedule flight operation. The State Government has been requested to provide 815 acres of land for the proposed development.