

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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DEVANAHALLI AIRPORT  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the progress of work done so far at the Devanahalli Airport;
- (b) whether the cost of Devanahalli Airport has increased;
- (c) if so, the details in this regard;
- (d) the manner by which the increased amount is likely to be met; and
- (e) the steps taken to complete the construction work by the fixed time schedule?

**Answer**

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

(a) The work at proposed Devanahalli (Bangalore) Airport is progressing well and is on schedule based on original plan.

The concreting of the Terminal Building columns, raft slab, mezzanine floor slab, the foundation work of Fire fighting building and the retaining wall in the basement is in progress. Installation of pre-cast roof mould elements for the Terminal Building has commenced. At ATC technical block, the major concreting works are completed.

Earthworks for the runway, taxiway and apron are in progress. Granular Sub Base (GSB) laying works in the runway and taxiways is also continuing. Installation of drainage pipes in the apron area has started.

Earthworks for the main and secondary access roads is also in progress.

(b) & (c) Based on the fresh traffic survey conducted in the year 2005, a redesigned Initial Development Plan (IDP) has been formulated due to which the total estimated cost has increased by Rs.450 crores.

(d): The increased cost of the project is proposed to be funded by way of loan from ICICI Bank.

(e) : Following steps are taken to complete the construction work by the fixed time schedule:

1. The work is planned to be done in additional shifts to maximize time utilization.
2. Mobilisation of additional resources including manpower, machinery and equipment to effectively match the requirements.
3. Periodic stringent monitoring is being conducted to ensure that the project is on schedule and gets completed on time.