

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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UPKEEP OF AIRPORTS BY PRIVATE COMPANIES

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the private companies taking over the management of important airports have failed to improve the conditions of such airports;
- (b) if so, the details and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has asked such private companies to make expeditious improvement in the conditions of such airports in view of the ensuing Commonwealth Games-2010;
- (d) if so, the details and the reaction of each of such companies thereto; and
- (e) the details of the arrangements the Government proposes to make before the commencement of Commonwealth Games-2010 at each of such important airports in the country?

Answer

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

(a),(b),(c) & (d): No, Sir. Delhi International Airport Ltd.(DIAL) and Mumbai International Airport Ltd. (MIAL) are the Joint Venture Companies (JVCs) set up to modernize and upgrade the IGI airport at Delhi and CSI airport at Mumbai respectively. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has entered into the Operation, Management and Development Agreement (OMDA) with the JVCs. OMDA lays down the terms and conditions under which the JVC has to develop, operate and maintain the project. The JVCs have been implementing the project as per OMDA.

(e): Under the IGI Airport Modernization Plan, Delhi International Airport (P) Ltd. (DIAL) is building new integrated terminal building which is bench marked against the best airports around the world and will be ready for the Commonwealth Games, 2010. This terminal will have capacity of 34 million passengers and will cater to both international and domestic passengers. The airside capacity of the airport has already been significantly improved with the commissioning of the new runway during September, 2008.