

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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INFRASTRUCTURAL FACILITIES AT AIRPORTS IN KERALA  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to improve the infrastructural facilities at airports in Kerala;
- (b) if so,the details thereof including the schedule for completion of these projects;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to develop any other airport in Kerala;and
- (d) if so,the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): Airports Authority of India has undertaken the improvement of infrastructure facilities at Trivandrum International Airport and Calicut International Airport in Kerala State.Construction of world class Integrated Terminal Building with four aerobridges,new apron for parking of wide bodied aircraft is in progress at Trivandrum international airport.At Calicut airport,extension & modernisation of international/domestic terminal buildings,expansion of apron have been completed.Strengthening of runway and provision of Engineered Materials Arresting System(EMAS) for safe operation of B-747-400 aircraft is in progress.

(c)&(d): Yes,Sir.The proposal of Government of Kerala to set up a Greenfield airport at Kannur has been considered and `in principle` approval has been granted by Union Government vide notification dated 19.02.2008.Government of Kerala has to take further necessary action in this regard.