

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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AIRPORTS UNDER PRIVATE SECTOR
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up some airports in private sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a), (b) & (c): Keeping in view the enormous growth in air passengers, which has put pressure on airport infrastructure, Government had pronounced a policy for greenfield airports in April,2008 to encourage infusion of greater investment in airport sector. So far, Government of India has given `in-principle` approval for setting up of new Greenfield airports for public use at Navi Mumbai and Sindhudurg in Maharashtra; Mopa in Goa; Bijapur, Simoga, Hassan and Gulbarga in Karnataka; Kannur in Kerala; Durgapur in West Bengal; Paladi/Jaipur in Rajasthan and Datia/Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh.