

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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UPGRADATION OF AIRSTRIP AT BHIWANI
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received a proposal for the upgradation of airstrip at Bhiwani (Haryana);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the proposal has been pending for execution for a long time;
- (d) if so, the present status thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b) A reference in this regard, has been received from elected representative for development of airstrip at Bhiwani in Haryana.
- (c), (d) & (e) The airstrip at Bhiwani belongs to the State Government of Haryana and no airline operator has evinced interest in operating to/ from Bhiwani. However, earlier, State Government of Haryana had requested Airports Authority of India (AAI) to provide consultancy services for preparation of a vision document for civil aviation related potential in Haryana mainly for 5 airstrips including airstrip at Bhiwani. Thereafter, AAI had prepared a vision document for civil aviation related potential in these airports and had submitted its report to the State Government in 2008, in which, it was recommended to develop Bhiwani airfield for flying institutions.