

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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UPGRADATION OF NON-METRO AIRPORTS

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

- (a) whether the upgradation plans of the non-metro airports in the country have been badly affected during the last few years;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has directed the airport regulator to put in place an effective monitoring mechanism to avoid delays in upgradation plans; and
- (d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure completion of upgradation of non-metro airports without any further cost escalation and to remove various hurdles coming in the way of modernization of these airports?

**Answer**

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

- (a)& (b): The upgradation and modernization plans of the 35 non-metro airports in the country has been progressing satisfactorily.
- (c) & (d): Airports Authority of India (AAI) has set up a dedicated in-house department namely, Project Monitoring and Quality Assurance (PMQA) department to ensure regular monitoring and quality assurance,removal of hindrance,if any and expedite progress without any further cost escalation.