

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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CHOPPER TRAINING FACILITIES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of places in the country where heliports, helipads and chopper training facilities are located in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to set up more of the same at various places in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which they are likely to be set up?

Answer

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

(a):Flying training facilities for helicopters are available at Rotary Wing Academy, HAL, Bangalore and Simulator training facility is available at Delhi. There are 21 Helipads in the country of which 18 are surface helipads and 03 rooftop helipads. 06 surface helipads are in Jammu and Kashmir at Katra, Sanjhi Chhat, Amarnath, Baltal, Panchtarni and Pahalgam; 04 in Utrakhand at Phata, Kedarnath, Augustmuni and Badrinath; 03 in Maharashtra at Mumbai; 02 in Andhra Pradesh at Rawra and Gadimoga; 02 in Gujarat at Surat and Junagarh and 01 in Uttar Pradesh in Lucknow. 02 rooftop helipads are located at Mumbai and 01 at Bangalore.

(b) and (c):The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has received proposals for setting up training facilities at Hyderabad; Simulator facilities at Bangalore and Helipads at Delhi, Mumbai and Pune.

(d):Simulator facility at Bangalore is likely to be set up by July 2010. Helipads at Delhi, Mumbai and Pune are still in the initial stage.