

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5605
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UPGRADATION OF MANGALORE AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to upgrade the Mangalore Airport into International Airport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Kannur airport is also likely to be upgraded to an International Airport; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Manglore airport has already been declared as a custom airport w.e.f. 3rd May, 2006 for limited International operations.
- (c) & (d): Government of India have accorded `in -principle` approval for setting of a Greenfield airport at Kannur in Kerala for international operations.