

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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AIRPORTS IN MADHYA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of airports under Airports Authority of India in Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) the number of airports out of them proposed to be made international airport;and
- (c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) There are eight airports in Madhya Pradesh including Gwalior airort which is operated by Indian Air Force where Airports Authority of India (AAI) manages a Civil Enclave.

(b) AAI is developing Bhopal and Indore airports for integrated operation of domestic and international aircraft movements with limited customs and immigration facilities, for possible international air connectivity.

(c) Various development works have been undertaken by AAI which are as under:

Indore Airport- Runway has been strengthened and extended from 2287 M to 2750 M which is suitable for B 767 type of aircraft operations. Apron has been extended and work related to construction of New Integrated Terminal Building suitable to handle 700 passengers during peak hours is underway with expected date of commissioning by March, 2011.

Bhopal Airport- Runway has been strengthened and extended from 2045 M to 2744 M which is suitable for B 767type of aircraft operation. Works related to construction of New Integrated Terminal Building to handle 1080 passengers during peak hours is underway with expected date of commissioning by March, 2011.