

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the number of unused airports in the country at present;
- (b) the expenditure incurred on the maintenance of these unused airports during each of the last three years;
- (c) the losses suffered by the Government due to non-utilisation of these airports during the said period; and
- (d) the details of unused airports made operational by Government during the period?

**Answer**

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

- (a): There are presently 32 unused/non-operational airports in the country belonging to Airports Authority of India (AAI).
- (b): The expenditure incurred by AAI on the maintenance of these airports during the last three years was Rs. 4.60 crores in 2006-07, Rs. 10.64 crores in 2007-08 and Rs. 7.90 crores in 2008-09.
- (c): Losses suffered by AAI in these airports during the said period was Rs. 3.53 crores in 2006-07, Rs. 10.31 crores in 2007-08 and Rs. 7.63 crores in 2008-09.
- (d): Only Mysore airport in Karnataka has been developed for ATR-72 operations and made operational in May, 2010.