

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:397

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CONSTRUCTION OF NEW AIRPORT WITH PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

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

- (a) whether the Government is building a new airport in Andal in West Bengal with private partnership;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether detailed route plans and the construction of other facilities has been completed;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the likely time by which the airport will start functioning?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS & MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION ( SHRI VAYALAR RAVI )

(a), (b), (c), (d) & (e): Government of India had granted 'in-principle' approval for setting up of a Greenfield domestic airport for public use at Andal-Faridpur blocks of Bardhaman District in West Bengal to M/s Bengal Aerotropolis Project Limited. For route plans and the constructions of other facilities relating to Air Traffic Management, the airport Promoter is required to enter into an Agreement with Airports Authority of India. The Master Plan of the project has already been finalized and construction work has started on 01.10.2010 with scheduled completion by February, 2012.