

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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KHAJURAHO AIRPORT
Singh Shri Ganesh

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether land has been acquired free of cost from the Madhya Pradesh Government for the development of Khajuraho Airport;
- (b) if so, the area of land acquired so far;
- (c) the status of development work i.e. extending the runway and other construction work after the acquisition of land; and
- (d) the reasons for delay if any and the time by which the work is likely to be completed?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The acquired area is 355.66 acres.

(c) & (d) Various development works like extension of runway to 7500 ft. and construction of new apron and taxiway have already been completed in June, 2009. In addition, construction of new Integrated Terminal Building (ITB) has been taken up. The construction of new ITB has been delayed due to below par performance and slow progress of the contractor. Therefore, the contract has been rescinded and fresh tenders are being called and the work is scheduled for completion by September, 2010.