

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SETTING UP OF AIRPORTS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of airports at Kannur, Jewar and various districts of Chhattisgarh;
- (b) whether the work at the said airports has not been started despite grant of in principal approval by the Government;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a), (b), (c) & (d): The present status of airports at Kannur, Jewar and various districts of Chhatisgarh is as under:

(a) Kannur- Government of India has granted in-principle approval to Government of Kerala in January, 2008 for setting up of a Greenfield airport at Kannur in Kerala. The Project is to be implemented on Buald Own and Operate (BOO) model. Government of Kerala had appointed M/s Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (K1NFRA) as nodal agency for development of the airport. 1277 acres of land has been acquired for development of the airport. A company namely Kannur International Airport Limited (KIAL) has been formed for development of the airport.

(b) Jewar- A proposal was received from Government of Uttar Pradesh (GoUP) for setting up of Greenfield International airport at Jewar/Greater Noida in Uttar Pradesh. This proposal was considered by the Union Cabinet, which has referred to a Group of Ministers (GoM) for looking into the various aspects of the matter.

(c): Chhatisgarh- There are 2 airports belonging to Airports Authority of India (AAI) in Chhatisgarh namely, Raipur & Bilaspur. At Raipur, AAI has taken up works relating to construction of new expandable modular terminal building to handle 700 domestic & 300 international passengers. Bilaspur is a non-operational airport.