GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF UNPROFITABLE AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of unprofitable airports in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to develop them, airport- wise;
- (c) the names of underutilized airports in the country, State-wise alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has made any analysis about the cost effectiveness of these airports; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken / proposed to be taken by the Government for their maximum utilization?

Answer

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

- (a): List of loss-making operational airports and civil enclaves belonging to Airports Authority of India (AAI) and managed by AAI for the year 2009-2010 is at Annexure I.
- (b): AAI had got a study conducted by M/s RITES to determine the feasibility of development and operationalisation of 33 small non-operational airports of AAI. The study indicated that out of the 33 airports, only 13 were feasible for development. Status in respect of airports is given at Annexure II.
- (c): Majority of the airports of AAI are being optimally utilized. In respect of the Metro airports at Chennai and Kolkatta, where new terminals are under construction and other Non-metro airports where new terminals have been recently commissioned/ proposed to be commissioned, additional capacity has been created, keeping in view of the requirement upto their saturation year.
- (d): No Madam.
- (e): Does not arise.