

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:120

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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, State/UT-wise alongwith the details of their owners;
- (b) the expenditure incurred on maintenance of these unused airports during each of the last three years;
- (c) the loss suffered by the Government due to non-utilisation of these airports during the said period;
- (d) the details of the unused airports made operational by the Government during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to make some more unused airports operational during 2012-13 and if so, the details thereof, airport-wise and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a)to(e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement in reply to parts (a)to(e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.120 to be answered on 21.03.2012 regarding unused airports.

- (a) There are 32 airports belongs to AAI which are non operational at present. Details given at Annexure.
- (b) The expenditure incurred on maintenance of these unused airports during each of the last three years are 2008-09 (Rs.4.92 crore), 2009-10 (Rs.8.54 crore), 2010-11 (Rs.19.36 crore).
- (c) Loss suffered by the Government due to non-utilization of these airports during the said period are 2008-09 (Rs.4.92 crore), 2009-10 (Rs.8.11 crore), 2010-11 (Rs.19.27 crore).
- (d) Mysore Airport in Karnataka and Pantnagar in Uttarkhand have been operationalised in the last three years.
- (e) Operationalisation of airports in the next financial year is subject to availability of traffic demand at these airports and their commercial viability.