

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5430  
ANSWERED ON:09.05.2012  
CONSTRUCTION OF AIRPORT IN SIKKIM  
Shukla Shri Balkrishna Khanderao Balu Shukla

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken up the project of construction of airport in Sikkim;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the present status of the project, its estimated cost and completion schedule?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a)& (b) Yes, Madam. At Pakyong village, 33 Km. South West of Gangtok, construction of a new Greenfield airport has been undertaken for operation of ATRs, with the following facilities: runway of length 1700 mt; apron to accommodate two ATRs; Terminal Building for 100 passengers; car park for 50 cars; Control Tower-cum-Fire Station; Communication / Navigation Aids like VHF, DVOR, PAPI, Ground Lighting Facility etc.

(c) The present physical progress of the project is 63% and scheduled date of completion is December, 2013. The cost of this project as approved by the Planning Commission is Rs.309.46 crores.