

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6480  
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EXTENSION OF AIR SERVICES  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has considered any proposal to promote extension of air services including introduction of direct flight to Madurai;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to construct new airport in Chhattisgarh; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION ( SHRI AJIT SINGH )

(a) and (b): Government has laid down route dispersal guidelines with a view to achieve better regulation of air transport services taking into account the need for air transport services of different regions of the country including North-East region. It is, however, up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability. As such, the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance of route dispersal guidelines issued by Government.

(c) : No Madam. There is no any proposal to construct new airport in Chhattisgarh.

(d): Do not arise, in view of the reply of (c) above.