

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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UNUSED AIRPORTS IN THE COUNTRY
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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;
- (b) the expenditure incurred on the maintenance of these unused airports during each of the last three years;
- (c) the losses suffered by the Government due to non-utilisation of these airports during said period;
- (d) the details of unused airports made operational by the Government during the last three years; and
- (e) the details of the unused airports proposed to be made operational during 2009-10?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b), (c), (d) & (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in reply to parts (a), (b), (c), (d) & (e) of the Lok Sabha Starred() Question No. 107 for 26.11.2009 regarding Unused Airports in the Country.

(a) There are 32 airports belonging to Airports Authority of India (AAI) which are non operational (Unused) namely Cuddapah, Donakonda and Warangal in Andhra Pradesh; Passighat in Arunachal Pradesh; Rupsi in Assam; Jogbani, Muzaffarpur and Raxaul in Bihar; Bilaspur in Chhattisgarh; Deesa in Gujarat; Chakulia in Jharkhand; Mysore in Karnataka; Khandwa, Panna and Satna in Madhya Pradesh; Akola, Solapur and Jalgaon in Maharashtra; Shella in Meghalaya; Aizwal in Mizoram; Jharsuguda in Orissa; Kishangarh in Rajasthan; Vellore in Tamil Nadu; Kailashahar, Kamalpur and Khowai in Tripura; Asansol, Balurghat, Behala and Malda in West Bengal & Jhansi and Lalitpur in Uttar Pradesh.

(b) & (c) Expenditure incurred on the maintenance of some of these 32 non-operational airports during the last 3 years as well as the loss incurred at these airports are as under: The expenditure made and loss occurred (Rs. in lacs) are in bracket.

For the year 2006-07- Cuddapah (10.51,10.47), Jogbani (0.50, 0.50), Jharsuguda (78.77, 78.11), Kailashahar (1.24, 1.24), Vellore (6.95, 6.93), Balurghat (4.81, 4.51), Behala (24.88, 24.88) and Malda (23.07, 22.76); for 2007-08 - Cuddapah (14.50,14.48), Jharsuguda (83.73, 83.37), Vellore (11.12, 10.81), Balurghat (10.48, 10.48), Behala (51.36, 43.64) and Malda (36.48, 36.48) and for 2008-09 - Cuddapah (42.33,41.86), Mysore (13.88, 13.88), Jharsuguda (154.79, 154.79), Vellore (18.78, 18.79), Balurghat (10.76, 10.76), Behala (112.59, 112.59) and Malda (56.41, 56.41).

(d) Cooch Behar in West Bengal and Akola and Solapur in Maharashtra were made operational in the last three years.

(e) Mysore airport in Karnataka will be made operational in 2009-10.