

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1169  
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AIRPORT AT KOKRAJHAR IN ASSAM  
Ajmal Shri Badruddin

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the feasibility and cost of revival of Rupsi airport in Kokrajhar district before taking the decision of a new airport in the same district and that too within 50 Km of the existing airport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if so, the justifications and cost effectiveness of setting up of new airport by abandoning existing airport with more than 6000 ft. runway and necessary infrastructure?

**Answer**

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

(a), (b) & (c) Yes, Sir. A feasibility study carried out recently for revival of non-operational airport has confirmed that Rupsi airport can be developed into an operational airport in phased manner at a cost of Rs. 94 crores for ATR type of aircraft. Government of Assam has not yet provided the details of identified sites for the proposed new Greenfield airport at Kokrajhar.