

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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BEGUMPET AIRPORT

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal submitted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh for developing a dedicated airport express rail link from the existing Begumpet Airport to the new International Airport in Hyderabad;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any policy decision in developing such dedicated airport express rail links across the major international airports of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): An Express Rail Link was proposed between the old Begumpet Airport to Rajiv Gandhi International Airport at Shamshabad to offer fast, safe and convenient approach to the passengers. In this regard, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) had prepared a Detailed Project Report. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has examined the proposal of Express Rail Link in detail and found it financially not viable and hence,not considered,since it provides conectivity only for airport bound passengers from a few parts of the city. Government of Andhra Pradesh have, therefore, felt that a circular high speed rail along the Outer Ring Road where in the right of way is already available with the necessary redial connectivity to the city centre and to the airport could be of more convenience, for the time being,to public living in different part of the city.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.