

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has tied up with a US-based non-profit research organization for development and betterment of Air Traffic Management (ATM) in India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to establish a research and development centre for the purpose;
- (d) if so, the locations identified for the purpose, and;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?;

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI K. C. VENUGOPAL)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Madam. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has tied up with M/s. MITRE Corporation USA for technology and knowledge transfer for setting up a Research & Development (R&D) Centre. The activities at the R & D centre include development of road map for R&D activities, development of objective-oriented and independent CNS/ATM planning and implementation strategy, specialized advanced aviation management training, and technology transfer which includes training AAI personnel on best practices and software tools.

(c), (d) and (e) : Yes, Madam. The R&D Centre is proposed to be established at Hyderabad. The board of AAI has approved the proposal including the location and a MoU has been signed with M/s. MITRE Corporation USA.