

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2600  
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SEA PLANE SERVICE  
Dhanaplan Shri K. P.

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

- (a) the status of sea plane service in the country;
- (b) whether the Government has received any proposal for introduction of sea plane services in the country including Kerala;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the sectors/locations identified for the same;and
- (d) the time by which the proposals are likely to be materialized?

**Answer**

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

- (a): M/s. Maritime Energy Heli Air Services Pvt. Ltd. are operating Amphibian Aircraft Services in Andaman and Nicobar Islands for Andaman and Nicobar Administration. The details of the route flown are as follows:
  - 1. Port Blair-Havelock-Port Blair
  - 2. Port Blair- Hutbay-Port Blair
- (b): Yes, Madam.
- (c): Govt. of Kerala is rolling out its Seaplane project for providing last mile connectivity by air to its destinations across the State and to provide the service initially in the priority circuit consisting of the three airports of Trivandrum, Cochin and Calicut and the primary destinations Viz. Astamudi, Punnamada, Kumarakom, Munnar, Bolgatty and Bekal in the state.
- (d): In Principal Approval for Keral Sea Plane Project has been granted on 30.1.2013.