

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF AIRPORT

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

- (a) whether the Government has selected some places across the country to construct new domestic and international airports and if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (b) whether the State Governments has made any proposals in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the proposals sanctioned thereon by the Union Government, State-wise;
- (c) the total investment proposed to be made for construction of those airports and the time by which the airports are likely to start flight operations, State-wise;
- (d) the current status of greenfield airports sanctioned by the Government, airport-wise;and
- (e) whether flight operations are likely to start from Patna to Mujaffarpur, Purnea, Bhagalpur and Gaya airports and if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (d): Yes, Madam. Govt. of India has accorded `in-principle` approval for setting up of 15 greenfield airports in the country. Necessary action for project development, including acquisition of land, financing of the airport project, etc. is taken by the respective airport promoter. The timeline for construction of airport projects depends upon many factors such as land acquisition, availability of mandatory clearances, financial closure, etc. by the individual operator. List of the airports sanctioned by Government along with the name of promoting agencies and their current status of implementation is at annexure.

(e): Operation in domestic sector has been deregulated and the airlines are free to operate anywhere in the country subject to compliance of route dispersal guidelines issued by the government. It is up to the airlines to provide air services to specific places depending upon the traffic demand and commercial viability.