

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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RADIOLOGICAL DETECTION EQUIPMENT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there are delays in procurement of various devices including Radiological Detection Equipment (RDE) for ensuring security measures at all airports;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Ministry of Civil Aviation had initiated a plan for installation of Radiological Detection Equipment (RDE) at international airports in the country. The Standing Finance Committee (SFC) has already approved a project cost of Rs.95 Crore for this purpose. It has further been decided by the SFC that 14 international airports shall be covered in the first phase at a cost of Rs.62 Crore. As per the decision of the SFC, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS), an attached office of Ministry of Civil Aviation, have already initiated steps towards signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Electronics Corporation of India Limited (ECIL) for the installation of RDE. The delay in installation of RDE is only due to the procedural formalities that are to be complied with during implementation of the project.

(c): Does not arise.