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DEVELOPMENT OF AIRPORTS IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the land has been acquired for the development projects of Shirdi, Nashik and Jalgaon airports in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the present status of these projects; and
- (c) the time by which work on the development airports projects in Maharashtra are likely to be completed?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Dr Mahesh Sharma)

(a) & (b): Government of India (GoI) granted 'in principle' approval to Maharashtra Airport Development Corporation Ltd. (MADC), a State Govt. Of Maharashtra entity for setting Up of a Greenfield International airport at Shirdi in May 2011. The land required for the project has already been acquired and construction work has already commenced. GoI has not received any proposal from State Govt. of Maharashtra for development of Greenfield Airport at Nashik and Jalgaon. However, Jalgaon Airport is owned and operated by Airports Authority of India (AAI) and the operations at Jalgaon Airport have already commenced. Further, Nashik Airport is a Defence Airport.

(c): Timeline for completion of Greenfield Airports depends upon many factors such as availability of land, availability of mandatory clearances, environmental clearances and provision of support services by the State Government SUCH as removal of obstructions, access road to the airport, water supply, power supply, services of State Police and State Fire Staff for Security and Safety needs of the airport, etc.