GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1638 ANSWERED ON:21.07.2014 INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS Chaudhary Shri P.P.;Kumar Shri Kaushalendra;Maadam Smt. Poonamben Hematbhai;Panda Shri Baijayant "Jay"

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of International Airports located in various States of the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the Government proposes to construct new International Airports invarious States of the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon;

(c) whether the Governmeut has received proposals from various States/ UTs including Gujarat in this regard during the last three years and the current year and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the action taken thereon; and

(d) whether any International flight has been started from Patna Airport during the said period and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri G.M. Siddeshwara)

(a): Details of the International airports located in various States of the country, State/UT-wise is at Annexure-I.

(b): Yes, Madam. Development/upgradation of airports as international airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by Airports Authority of India (AAI) from time to time depending on traffic demand, commercial viability, availability of land etc. AAI has recently upgraded Bhopal, Indore and Raipur airports to international standards and the Government has initiated the process of declaring these airports as international airports. Further, the Government of India has granted in-principle approval for development of the Greenfield airport projects as International Airports with estimated project costs (approx.) as under:

State Airport Rs.(in Crore) Goa Mopa 3000 Kerala Kannur 1800 Maharashtra Navi Mumbai 14500 Maharashtra Shirdi 300 Uttar Pradesh Kushinapar 355

(c): Yes, Madam. The Government has accorded site clearance for the Greenfield international project at Dholera at Ahmethibad in Gujarat being developed by the Gujarat Infrastructure Development Board in 2014. Further, the Taj International Greenfield airport project proposed at Hirangoan, Firozabad, Uttar Pradesh is presently under the Preliminary scrutiny of the Government.

(d): No, Madam. No international flight has been started from Patna airport.