GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2303 ANSWERED ON:08.12.2014 SECURITY SYSTEM AT DELHI AIRPORT Raajhaa Shri Anwhar

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Industrial Security Force has identified a number of security issues/concerns at Delhi Airport including defective X-ray machines, malfunctioning metal detectors and insufficient CCTV cameras;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to improve the security system at the airport?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. As per the information provided by Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), the short-comings identified in the case of Indira Gandhi Inter- national Airport, Delhi include non-functioning of a few CCTV cameras, insufficient CCTV coverage and shadow zones, delay in carrying out major/minor repairs of some of the security gadgets i.e. Door Frame Metal Detector, Hand Held Metal Detector, Explosive Trace Detector, need for stabilization of Perimeter Intrusion Detection system, security concerns associated with aero-bridges having multi docking facility, etc. The Delhi International Airports (P) Ltd. has been advised to take necessary action to avoid untoward incident at the airport.

Regular meetings with the concerned security agencies and airport operators are held in Ministry of Civil Aviation and Bureau of Civil Aviation Security to address the issues relating to removal of deficiency of security infrastructure. In addition, BCAS has issued necessary guidelines/instructions from time to time to avoid security lapses at airports. Some of the steps taken to strengthen security arrangements include time bound deployment of CISF at airports, deployment of quick reaction teams at major airports and regular monitoring of security arrangements by inspections and dummy checks.