

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
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CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of such military airports in the country which are being used for civilian aircraft operations;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up civil airports at such places to ease pressure on military airports; and
- (c) if so, the details and the present status thereof along with the time by which these airports are likely to be set up?

**Answer**

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

(a): Airports Authority of India (AAI) has established Civil Enclaves at the following military/Defence airports for civilian aircraft operations:

Agra, Allahabad, Bangalore (HAL), Bhubaneswar, Gorakhpur, Gwalior, Jammu, Jamnagar, Jodhpur, Jorhat, Jaisalmer, Kanpur (Chakeri), Leh, Pathankot, Silchar, Tezpur, Bikaner, Bhatinda, Thanjavur, Pune, Bagdogra, Chandigarh, Visakhapatnam, Goa, Portblair and Srinagar.

(b) & (c): In order to ease the pressure on military airports, a civilian airport has already been established at Bangalore. Government of India has also granted in-principle approval for setting up of a Greenfield Airport at MOPA site at Goa. Development of airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by AAI from time to time depending on traffic demand, socio-economic considerations, availability of land etc. The timelines for construction of airports depend upon many factors like acquisition of requisite land, mandatory regulatory clearances, etc.