

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2372

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VISKHAPTANAM AIRPORT

Lekhi Smt. Meenakashi;Maganti Shri Murali Mohan

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Visakhapatnam Airport has been designed in such a way to withstand natural calamities including cyclone;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the action taken against the companies involved in construction/maintenance of this airport; and
- (c) the details of the funds allocated/ incurred on upgradation, maintenance and repair of the said airport during the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The building is designed as per prevailing IS code provisions and the roof space frame structure and glazing design and drawing is vetted by IITs. Seamless type double layer roofing and new structural glazing are installed to withstand higher wind velocity upto 250 km/hr.

(c): The Airports Authority of India (AAI) has incurred an expenditure of Rs.292.32 lakhs in 2011-12, Rs.322.98 lakhs in 2012-13, 244.85 lakhs in 2013-14 and 254.91 lakhs in 2014-15 upto October, 2014 for upgradation, repairs and maintenance of Visakhapatnam airport.