

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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EXTENSION OF PATNA AIRPORT RUNWAY
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is always a risk involved in take-off and landing of flights at Patna Airport runway due to its short length;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to extend the length of Patna airport runway; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which extension work of the said runway is likely to start and be completed ?

Answer

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

(a): Patna Airport is a constrained airport. Airlines plan their operations based on the declared distance published in NOTAM/AIP, which indicates the take-off run available, take-off distance available, accelerate-stop distance available and landing distance available.

(b) & (c): Expansion of runway is not feasible due to air-side limitation, land constraints and obstacles such as Railway line and Highway towards west and Botanical Garden, Government buildings and Watch Tower towards east.