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Title: Need to investigate the collapse of metro rail service to Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi.

SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR (HAMIRPUR, H.P.): The Delhi Metro rail corridor to Indira Gandhi International Airport was shut down after being declared unfit for operation. A Joint Inspection Committee (JIC) comprising experts from the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation, Indian Railways and Reliance Infra, partner of DMRC in this public private partnership project did a survey of the site. As per the JIC report 91 percent of the bearings are defective and dislocated, 32 per cent of these bearings have cracks, are torn or bulged, 81 per cent of the grout over bearing have cracked or disappeared; 33 per cent of the grout under bearing are cracked, cracks have appeared in seven per cent of the girders holding the 23 kilometer long track.

The Air port Metro was commissioned on 23 February 2011 and ran for 16 months before it was declared unfit for operation. In this time period, it carried 6.8 million passengers in 70,000 trips. The Government needs to answer as to who were responsible for putting lives of millions of passengers at risk, whether any action has been taken against the errant parties and what steps are being taken to prevent recurrence of such incidents in the future.