

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1127
(To be answered on the 21st December 2017)**

CARGO TERMINALS AT AIRPORTS

1127. **SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION
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be pleased to state:-

- (a) the role of air cargo terminals in commercial activities in the country and the growth registered by air freight transport in the country during the last twenty five years;**
- (b) the number of airports designated with the status of cargo terminals as of date;**
- (c) the number of airports in the country wherein inland cargo terminals are functioning as of date;**
- (d) whether few State Governments have upgraded the inland cargo terminals situated in their respective States by enhancing commercial activities in their States and requested to designate these with status of international cargo terminal;**
- (e) if so, the response of the Government thereto; and**
- (f) whether the Government proposes to set up dedicated cargo airports in the country and if so, the locations under consideration and the time by which the proposals would get through?**

ANSWER

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
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(Shri Jayant Sinha)

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- (a) The role of cargo terminals is to facilitate processing of domestic and international air cargo where regulatory agencies and facilitating entities are available for timely clearance and upliftment of the cargo. Air cargo handled at airports in India was 2.978 million MT in 2016-17 which has grown at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 9% during the last 25 years.**
 - (b) Presently, there are 27 airports where domestic cargo terminals, and 24 airports where international cargo terminals, have been so designated in the country.**
 - (c) There are 27 airports wherein inland (domestic) cargo terminals are functioning in the country as on date.**
 - (d) No proposal from the State Governments requesting designation of a domestic cargo terminal as an international cargo terminal is presently under consideration of the Government.**
 - (e) Does not arise.**
 - (f) No, Madam. No proposal is presently under the consideration of the Government for setting up dedicated airports exclusively for cargo in the country.**
