## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 907 (To be answered on the 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019)

## BIOMETRIC ACCESS AT AIRPORT

## SHRI HIBI EDEN 907.

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION लागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Government is planning on biometric based digital processing of passengers at airports;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this initiative seeks to promote paperless and hassle free air travel across the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether this facility is linked to Aadhaar and if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Hardeep Singh Puri) नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

(a) to (e): Digi Yatra is an initiative of the Ministry of Civil Aviation for providing seamless and hassle-free passenger processing at Indian airports, without the need for verification of ticket and ID at multiple touch points. Passengers can chose to enroll themselves in this program for a seamless travel experience. Identification & validation of his/her ticket is to be done by a biometric system. The system discourages the use of paper, however, option of manual procedure is also envisaged in this programme. This facility does not insist upon use of Adhaar, however, a choice to use Adhaar card as one of the identity proof is available.