

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2961  
(To be answered on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019)**

**CONSTRUCTION OF NEW INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS**

**2961. SHRI UNMESH BHAIYYASAHEB PATIL**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to construct new international airports and upgrade/modernize the existing airports in the country including Maharashtra with the service of night landing;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, locationwise;
- (c) the details of proposals received from various States/UTs in this regard during the last four years and the current year and the action taken on these proposals, airport/year-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to expand and improve the facilities at various airports in the country?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)**

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- (a) & (b): Government of India, Ministry of Civil Aviation has granted 'in principle' approval for setting up of Greenfield Airports across the country namely Mopa in Goa, Navi Mumbai and Shirdi in Maharashtra, Kushinagar and Noida in Uttar Pradesh, Dholera and Hirasar in Gujarat, Kannur in Kerala and Bhogapuram in Andhra Pradesh as International Airports and Sindhudurg in Maharashtra, Bijapur, Gulbarga, Hassan and Shimoga in Karnataka, Durgapur in West Bengal, Datia (Gwalior) in Madhya Pradesh, Pakyong in Sikkim, Karaikal in Puducherry, Dagadarthi and Oravakal in Andhra Pradesh and Hollongi, Itanagar in Arunachal Pradesh as Domestic Airports. Durgapur, Shirdi, Kannur, Pakyong and Gulbarga airport projects have already been operationalised and trial landing has been done at Sindhudurg Airport. The provision of night landing facility at an airport depends upon operational requirements, traffic demand, commercial feasibility etc. and vary from airport to airport in the country.
- (c): Government of India has received 18 complete proposals during the last four years and the current year for construction of new airports namely,

**Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh, Dagadarthi (Nellore), Bhogapuram (Vizianagaram), Tadepalligudem (West Godavari), Oravakal (Kurnool) and Kuppam (Chittoor) in Andhra Pradesh in 2015, Noida International Airport (Jewar) and Saifai (Etawah) in Uttar Pradesh, Hisar International Airport in Haryana, Shivdaspur (Jaipur) in Rajasthan, Kothagudem(Khammam) in Telangana, Chingleput in Chennai and Singrauli in Madhya Pradesh in 2016, Karwar and Chickmangaluru in Karnataka, Hirasar (Rajkot), Tadgem in Gujarat in 2017 and Mandi in Himachal Pradesh in 2019. Out of which, Government has granted 'site clearance' approval to two proposals, namely Kothagudem(Khammam) in Telangana and Singrauli in Madhya Pradesh and 'in principle' approval to five proposals namely, Dagadarthi (Nellore), Bhogapuram (Vizianagaram) and Oravakal (Kurnool) in Andhra Pradesh, Noida International Airport (Jewar) in Uttar Pradesh and Hirasar (Rajkot) in Gujarat.**

**(d): Expansion and improvement of airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by Airports Authority of India(AAI) and concerned private operators from time to time depending on the availability of land, commercial viability, socio-economic considerations, traffic demand / willingness of airlines to operate to/from such airports. However, for improved shopping experience and passenger facilitation Airports Authority of India (AAI) has introduced master concessionaire retail and food & beverages at selected 14 airports (Chennai /Kolkata / Lucknow/Jaipur/ Ahmedabad/ Trivandrum/ Guwahati/ Indore/ Trichy/ Mangalore/ Bhopal/ Bhubaneswar/ Raipur/ Srinagar). This has provided world class branded products and service at these airports. To provide avenues for passengers to relax or take rest before boarding the next flight, on trial basis AAI has introduced sleeping pod at Indore and Tirupathi airport.**

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