

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**

**RAJYA SABHA**

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**ANSWERED ON**

**DEVELOPMENT OF JHARSUGUDA AND ROURKELA AIRPORTS .**

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Will the Minister of COAL, HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE, INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING, CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :-

(a) whether Government is planning to develop the Jharsuguda and Rourkela airports in Orissa in addition to Bhubaneswar airport; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

( SHRI PRAFUL PATEL )

(a) & (b) A feasibility study has been carried out by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) for Jharsuguda airport. In accordance with the Feasibility Report, AAI has planned for development of Jharsuguda airport, initially, for ATR type of aircraft operations subject to signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between AAI and the State Government of Orissa and handing over of required land to AAI by the State Government of Orissa. Rourkela airport belongs to Steel Authority of India (SAIL). Therefore, at present AAI has no proposal to upgrade this airport.