

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**QUESTION NO 02.03.2010**  
**ANSWERED ON**  
**UPGRADATION OF NON METRO 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 the upgradation plans of the non-metro airports in the country have been badly affected in the past few years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has directed the airport regulator to put in place an effective monitoring mechanism to avoid delays in upgradation plans; and
- (d) if so, the steps Government proposes to take to ensure completion of upgradation of non-metro airports without any further cost escalation?

**ANSWER**

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

( SHRI PRAFUL PATEL )

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) No such direction has been issued by the Government.
- (d) Works are regularly monitored by a dedicated project team. Besides, an independent Project Monitoring and Quality Assurance (PMQA) Department has been set up at Corporate Headquarters of Airports Authority of India (AAI) to ensure regular monitoring and quality assurance at sites through periodic site inspection visits and holding review and coordination meetings to remove hindrances and expedite progress without any further cost escalation.