

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 4010  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2018)**

**Commencement of flight operations from Orvakal Airport**

4010. SHRI T.G. VENKATESH

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:-

- (a): whether the construction of Orvakal Airport in Kurnool District of Andhra Pradesh is in progress, if so, the details thereof;
- (b): the time by which this airport would get ready for starting flight operations, the details thereof; and
- (c): the details of the other airports which are being constructed in the State of Andhra Pradesh and the status of their construction work?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) and (b): Orvakal Airport belongs to Government of Andhra Pradesh. Government of Andhra Pradesh informed that construction work of the airport has already started and the airport would soon get ready by October, 2018 for start of flight operations

(c): Government of India (GoI), Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has granted 'in principle' approval for setting up of 2 more Greenfield Airports in Andhra Pradesh at Dagadarthi Mendal, Nellore District and Bhogapuram in Vizianagaram District near Visakhapatnam. Government of Andhra Pradesh has planned to develop an integrated airport comprising of MRO and Aviation Institute at Bhogapuram, for which 90% of land acquisition is completed. As regards development of Greenfield airport at Dagadarthi Mandal, Nellore District, Government of AP have been identified SCL-Turbo Consortium Ltd., as the developer, to construct the airport.

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