

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
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STRATEGY TO NEUTRALISE DRONES NEAR AIRPORTS

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

- (a): whether Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) has finalized strategy to neutralize drones near airports;
- (b): if so, the details thereof;
- (c): whether Government has come out with a framework to regulate unmanned aircraft systems in the country;
- (d): if so, the details thereof;
- (e): if so, by when it would be finalised;
- (f): whether necessary trials to examine effective technology to neutralise drones have been conducted; and
- (g): if so, whether technical specifications have been prepared?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

- (a): No, Sir.
- (b): Does not arise, in view reply to Part (a) above.
- (c) to (e): The Aircrafts Rules 1937 have been amended to include civil Remotely Piloted Aircraft System (RPAS), which is a sub-set of the Unmanned Aircraft System (commonly known as drones). A draft Civil Aviation Requirement (CAR) on civil use of RPAS was uploaded on the website of Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) for public comments.
- (f): A live demonstration on counter-drone technologies on surveillance, detection and neutralization of drones was conducted on 13.02.2018 at Rohini Heliport.
- (g): No, Sir.
