

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 496**  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022)

**NEWLY BUILT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS**

496. SMT GEETA ALIAS CHANDRAPRABHA

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

- (a) the total number of newly built international airports in the country during the last five years and the total number of such airports proposed to be built;
- (b) the total number of international airports built in the State of Uttar Pradesh during the last five years; and
- (c) the number of airports currently proposed to be built in the State of Uttar Pradesh and the time frame for their completion and the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a) & (b) : Government of India (GoI) has accorded 'In-Principle' approval for setting up of 21 Greenfield Airports across the country. Out of these, 9 airports have been operationalized which include two International airports operationalized in last five years, namely, Kushinagar in Uttar Pradesh and Kannur in Kerala. Out of remaining 12 airports, 6 airports are proposed as International airports namely, Mopa in Goa, Navi Mumbai in Maharashtra, Noida (Jewar) in Uttar Pradesh, Dholera and Hirasar in Gujarat, and Bhogapuram in Andhra Pradesh.

(c): At present, one greenfield airport in Uttar Pradesh i.e. Noida (Jewar) is under development. The probable date of completion of first phase of the project is by September, 2024.

Additionally, Ministry of Civil Aviation has also launched Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS) - UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik) in October, 2016 to stimulate regional air connectivity and making air travel affordable to the masses. Under this scheme, 12 airports namely, Aligarh, Chitrakoot, Ayodhya, Gazipur, Jhansi, Moradabad, Meerut, Muirpur, Azamgarh, Shravasti, Saharanpur, and Fursatganj are proposed to be developed in the state of Uttar Pradesh. Out of these,

development of 5 airports namely, Aligarh, Azamgarh, Chitrakoot, Moradabad & Shravasti have been completed and airport licensing work is in progress. Development work w.r.t. remaining seven airports is ongoing with Probable Date of Completion by March, 2024.

The timeline for completion of the airport projects depends upon many factors such as land acquisition, availability of mandatory clearances, financial closure etc.

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