GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO: 350

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 6th February 2023)

GREENFIELD AIRPORT IN PURI

350. DR. PRASHANTA NANDA

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

- (a) the present status of proposed Greenfield Airport in Puri, Odisha;
- (b) the details of the site identified by the State Government for establishment of a Greenfield Airport; and
- (c) if so, details of multi-disciplinary team report?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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(a) to (c): On the request of State Government of Odisha, a multi-disciplinary Team from Airports Authority of India (AAI) had visited Puri in June, 2021 for conducting pre-feasibility study of the site identified by the State Government for establishment of a Greenfield Airport. The Report on the visit by the Team was sent to the Government of Odisha on 5th August, 2021. As per the Report, prima facie, on visual assessment, development of Greenfield Airport at the proposed site appeared to be technically feasible subject to Obstacle Limitation Surfaces (OLS) Survey and removal of identified obstacles.

Presently, Ministry of Civil Aviation has received a proposal from the State Government of Odisha as per Greenfield Airports Policy, 2008, seeking 'Site Clearance' approval for development of a Greenfield Airport at Sipasarubali and Sandhapur under Brahmagiri Tehsil of district Puri, Odisha.

As per the GFA policy, the responsibility of implementation of airport projects including funding of the projects rests with the concerned airport developer including the respective State Government (in case the State Government is the project proponent).
