UPGRADATION OF AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE IN TAMIL NADU

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

(a) whether Government proposes to expand airports and upgrade aviation infrastructure in the State of Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of progress made for each of these projects currently underway in Tamil Nadu along with the funds allocated, and funds spent, project-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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(a) & (b): Upgradation/Modernisation of airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by Airports Authority of India (AAI) and other Airport Developers from time to time depending on the availability of land, commercial viability, socio-economic considerations, traffic demand / willingness of airlines to operate to/from such airports. AAI is undertaking the upgradation/ modernisation works at Chennai, Coimbatore, Madurai, Trichy and Tuticorin airports in Tamil Nadu at an estimated cost of Rs. 2893.54 crore, Rs. 49.83 crore, Rs. 197.25 crore, Rs. 1021.2 crore and Rs. 380.87 crore, respectively. The expenditure incurred on these projects up to 28.02.2023 is around Rs. 1260.19 crore, Rs. 18.38 crore, Rs. 19.21 crore, Rs. 768.10 crore and Rs. 126.26 crore, respectively. The Phase-I of upgradation of Chennai airport has been completed and it is ready for inauguration. The other projects are also under progress and at various stages of completion.

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