

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO : 2
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25th November 2024)

CARBON NEUTRAL AIRPORTS

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

- (a) the measures taken to promote the utilization of green energy at airports;
- (b) the number of airports that have been equipped with green energy technology since last three years; and
- (c) the roadmap ahead for making airports carbon neutral?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 02 FOR REPLY ON 25.11.2024 REGARDING "CARBON NEUTRAL AIRPORTS" ASKED BY DR.K.LAXMAN

(a) to (c): Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has advised all the operational airports with scheduled operations and developers of the upcoming Greenfield Airports to work towards achieving Carbon Neutrality & Net Zero which inter-alia includes use of green energy. The airport operators including Airports Authority of India (AAI) have installed solar power plants at various locations/Airports for generation and self-consumption of green and renewable energy to encourage green energy usage at the airports. In addition, few airports are also procuring green energy through open access.

Since 2014, a total of 80 airports have switched over to 100% green energy usage.

MoCA has taken initiatives for working towards Carbon neutrality at airports in the country and organized knowledge sharing sessions to standardise Carbon Accounting and Reporting framework of Indian Airports as well as to create awareness on Climate Change mitigation. Further, airport operators with scheduled operations have been advised to map the carbon emission at their respective airports and to work towards carbon neutrality & net zero emission in a phased manner. Airports viz. Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad and Bengaluru have achieved Level 4+ and higher Airports International Council (ACI) accreditation and have become Carbon neutral.
