

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO : 4**  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024)

**SUB-STANDARD INFRASTRUCTURE**

\*4. DR. FAUZIA KHAN

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

- (a) the recent incidents of roof collapses at airports;
- (b) whether such critical urban infrastructure is failing despite the substantial budget allocated to this sector;
- (c) if so, the measures taken thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 04 FOR REPLY ON 25.11.2024 REGARDING "SUB-STANDARD INFRASTRUCTURE" ASKED BY DR. FAUZIA KHAN

(a): During heavy rain, forecourt canopy collapsed at Terminal 1D of Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi on 28.06.2024. Kerb area Canopy made of tensile fabric, a non-structural element, tore at Jabalpur & Rajkot Airports on 27.06.2024 and 29.06.2024, respectively.

(b) to (d): : The Safety & Maintenance Standards are being followed at the airports as per the industry practice and relevant safety standards. Building safety is also in built during design and construction stage as per National Building Codes. Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) carries out licensing inspection of new airports and checks the compliances of airside infrastructure and facilities in accordance with DGCA Civil Aviation Requirements Section 4 Series B Part I and International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) Annex 14 Volume 1.

All the Airport Operators had been directed to carry out a Third Party Audit of structural stability of Airport buildings and associated infrastructures through a reputed Government Institution/ Body such as IITs, NITs, CBRI, EIL etc. Further, all the Airport Operators had also been directed to carry out a thorough evaluation of all civil, electrical and technical aspects of the building including the design, specifications and workmanship of the roof sheeting structure before the onset of monsoon every year. The Airport Operators have informed that they have carried out the Structural Audit of Airport buildings and associated infrastructures.

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