GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

Rajya Sabha

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 1447 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9th December 2024

SAFETY ISSUES IN THE GREENFIELD AIRPORT AT PARANDUR, TAMIL NADU

1447. SHRI A. D. SINGH

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

- (a) whether as per the opinion of the aviation experts, there are safety issues in the greenfield airport coming up at Parandur, Tamil Nadu, in view of the various water bodies present in that area;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is viable to have airport there; and
- (d) if so, the effective steps Government is taking to address the issues of safety at the greenfield airport?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (d): In August, 2024, Government of India has granted Site Clearance approval to Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation Limited (TIDCO), a Government of Tamil Nadu Enterprise for development of Greenfield Airport at Parandur, Tamil Nadu.

Prior grant of Site Clearance. compliance to comments/observations of Stakeholders viz., Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and Airports Authority of India (AAI) was sought from the Project Proponent. Based on the compliance furnished, the matter was deliberated in the Steering Committee representatives of from comprising several stakeholder Ministries/Organisations including DGCA, Safety Regulator. Site

Clearance was granted subsequently on the recommendations of Steering Committee.

The proposed airport at Parandur would serve as second airport near Chennai.

Application for grant of 'In-Principle' approval has been received from TIDCO.
