

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
Rajya Sabha**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1464**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 9th December 2024**

**FOOTFALL OF INTERNATIONAL TOURISTS IN GOA**

**1464. SHRI SADANAND MHALU SHET TANAVADE**

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

- (a) the measures Government is taking to increase the number of International tourists arriving in Goa, and the manner in which the newly established Mopa International airport, alongwith existing Dabolim International airport, are being utilized to enhance connectivity and boost tourism; and**
- (b) whether Government could provide year-wise data on international tourist footfall at both Dabolim and Mopa airports during the last five years, and highlight any trends observed in passenger traffic, particularly following the opening of Mopa airport in 2022?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a): Government of India had granted approval for the construction of Second Airport in Goa i.e. Manohar International Airport, Mopa, which was operationalised in January, 2023. Now, Mopa airport is connected with International cities namely, Gatwick, Muscat, Doha, Sharjah, Sheremetyevo, Tashkent, Yekaterinburg, Moscow, Warsaw and Dabolim Airport is currently connected with International cities namely, Dubai, Manama and Almaty. Goa is currently operating with two airports and it has helped in boosting tourism and enhancing connectivity.**

**(b): The year-wise passenger handled at both Dabolim and Mopa Airport for the last 5 years is at Annexure-I.**

**Traffic sharing pattern at these two airports depends on market dynamics, airlines, type of aircrafts and sectors operated.**

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**Annexure-I**

**Annexure to statement referred in part (b) of reply of Rajya Sabha USQ No. 1464 for answer on 09.12.2024**

<b>Passenger Handled at Goa (Dabolim) Airport during last 5 years</b>			
<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Passenger (In Numbers)</b>		
	<b>International</b>	<b>Domestic</b>	<b>Total</b>
2019-2020	704878	7651362	8356240
2020-2021	39866	2850679	2890545
2021-2022	104200	5133851	5238051
2022-2023	467410	7891983	8359393
2023-2024	427089	6445322	6872411

<b>Passenger Handled at Goa (Mopa) Airport during last 2 years</b>			
<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Passenger (In Numbers)</b>		
	<b>International</b>	<b>Domestic</b>	<b>Total</b>
2022-2023	0	664160	664160
2023-2024	115288	4290799	4406087