BIOMETRIC BOARDING SYSTEM AT AIRPORTS

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

a) the current status of the implementation of biometric boarding systems at airports in the country;

b) the number of airports in Tamil Nadu that have adopted digital check-in technologies, and the plan for further expansion;

c) the steps being taken to reduce flight delays caused by air traffic control inefficiencies in southern part of the country; and

d) the specific measures that are being taken to enhance digital infrastructure at Trichy and Madurai airports, particularly in terms of passenger services and operational efficiency?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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(a): Digi Yatra has been launched for biometric-based travel using Facial Recognition Technology. It aims at providing seamless and hassle-free experience for passengers at airports. Presently, Digi Yatra is available at 24 airports in the country including Chennai and Coimbatore Airports.

(b): Currently, Chennai, Coimbatore, Trichy and Madurai airports in Tamil Nadu are using digital check-in technologies like Common Use Passenger Processing System (CUPPS), Common Use Self-Service (CUSS) and Baggage Reconciliation System (BRS) Further expansion will be based on passenger footfall at the airports.

(c): Airports Authority of India has established Central Air Traffic Flow Management (ATFM) unit in Delhi with Flow Management Position Pan India. ATFM monitors the traffic at different airports of India. The ATFM system is continuously being upgraded to meet challenges that are coming up with the air

traffic growth.

(d): To enhance digital infrastructure in terms of passenger services and operational efficiency, the following infrastructure has been deployed at Trichy and Madurai airports:-

i) Common Use Passenger Processing System (CUPPS)
ii) Common Use Self-Service (CUSS)
iii) Baggage Reconciliation System (BRS)
iv) CCTV Monitoring System
v) Flight Information Display System (FIDS)
vi) Check-In Kiosks
vii) Baggage Handling System and
viii) Baggage Scanners.

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