

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 642
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2nd December 2024)

NEW AIRPORT IN NORTH-EASTERN REGION

642. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA

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

- (a) whether Government plans to build new airports in the North-Eastern Region and use small planes to transport people there in order to increase tourism
- (b) if so, the details thereof
- (c) given the frequency of incidents that have been reported in the area, has any new research been undertaken to enhance helicopter services there and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) & (b): Under Greenfield Airports Policy 2008, two new Greenfield airports ,namely, Pakyong in Sikkim and Itanagar (Hollongi) in Arunachal Pradesh have been operationalised in the North Eastern Region of the country. Further, 'Site Clearance' approval has been granted to Airports Authority of India in February, 2024 for development of Greenfield Airport at Doloo in Cachar District of Assam.

(c) & (d): No new research has been undertaken to enhance helicopter services in the North-Eastern region by this Ministry.
