

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO : 4
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3rd February 2025)**

**2ND ASIA PACIFIC MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON CIVIL
AVIATION**

*4. SMT MAMATA MOHANTA

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that 2nd Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation is going to be organized soon;
- (b) if so, the manner in which Government anticipates the outcomes of this conference which will benefit India's economy and better air facilities and improve the position of the country as a leading aviation hub in the Asia-Pacific region;
- (c) whether this Conference's outcome impact regional air connectivity and trade partnerships within the Asia-Pacific; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu)

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

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) in respect of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No.04 for reply on 03.02.2025 regarding "2nd Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation" asked by Smt. Mamata Mohanta.

(a) The 2nd Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation was held on 11th-12th September 2024 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi

(b) The Conference, through the Delhi Declaration, is expected to significantly benefit India's economy and aviation sector in multiple ways:

- The declaration emphasizes regional cooperation, which will enable better coordination among Asia-Pacific countries for developing aviation infrastructure more efficiently

- It supports the implementation of ICAO's global plans for safety, air navigation, and aviation security, which will help India enhance its aviation safety standards and security measures

- By positioning India as a key player in regional aviation cooperation, the outcome of the conference is expected to help in achieving greater regional connectivity and attract investments in Indian aviation industry, thereby strengthening India's status as a leading aviation hub in the region

(c) & (d) Yes, the Conference's outcomes is expected to have significant impact on regional air connectivity and trade partnerships within the Asia-Pacific region. The specific outcomes, as outlined in the Delhi Declaration, include:

- Reaffirmation of the Asia and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Civil Aviation (Beijing Declaration)

- Commitments from APAC region members to implement ICAO Global Plans including the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP), Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP), and Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP)

- Agreement to invest resources in modernizing Air Navigation Services to support recovery and meet future air travel demands

- Collaborative work through ICAO and Regional platforms to improve the effective implementation of critical elements of State safety oversight system

- Commitment to sustainable funding for effective safety and security oversight

- Focus areas including Aviation Safety, Air Navigation Services, Aviation Security, Facilitation, Gender Equality in Aviation, Aviation Environment Protection, and Ratification of International Air Law Treaties
