

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

STARRED QUESTION NO. : 62

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 10th February 2025

NUMBER OF OPERATIONAL AIRPORTS IN THE COUNTRY

62. SHRI SHAMBHU SHARAN PATEL

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

- (a) the number of airports along with the number of operational airports in the country, the details for the recent past and number of airports built during the last three years along with the number of airports currently operational in the country, State-wise details thereof;**
- (b) the budget for aviation sector for the recent past along with the current budget for the sector;**
- (c) details of the steps taken by Government to ensure safety of aviation sector during the last three years; and**
- (d) the number of airports proposed to be built in the country especially in the State of Bihar, details thereof, State-wise?**

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. 62 FOR REPLY ON 10.02.2025 REGARDING "NUMBER OF OPERATIONAL AIRPORTS IN THE COUNTRY" ASKED BY SHRI SHAMBHU SHARAN PATEL

(a): As on date, there are 159 operational airports in the country. The State/ UT-wise list of these airports is at Annexure. During the last three years, the four (4) Greenfield Airports namely, Itanagar

(Hollongi), Mopa (Goa), Shivamogga and Rajkot (Hirasar) have been built and operationalized.

(b): No budgetary support per se is given by Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) for developing aviation-related activities like Airports, Cargo, Ground Handling, Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO), Flying Training Organisations (FTOs) etc. Aviation infrastructure and service enhancements, are generally funded by airport operators including the Airports Authority of India (AAI), and other entities such as airlines, from their own resources. However, the budget expenditure of MoCA in the Financial Year (FY) 2023-24 was Rs.2757.40 crore, which included capex for Regional Connectivity Scheme - Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (RCS-UDAN), the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) for Drones Scheme, Air India Debt Repayment, Salaries & other office expenses. The Budget Estimate for the current FY 2024-25 is Rs.2357.14 crore, while the Revised Estimate for FY 2024-25 stands at Rs.2658.68 crore.

(c): Over the past three years, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), the safety regulator of the country, has implemented several measures to bolster aviation safety. These include:

-DGCA maintains a robust safety oversight system, to monitor compliance with Rules and Civil Aviation Requirements (CARs). This process includes routine surveillance, spot checks, regulatory and special audits.

-DGCA publishes an Annual Surveillance Plan (ASP) to guide surveillance and spot checks across various technical areas.

-Findings from audits, surveillance activities, and spot checks are rigorously followed up with the concerned operators. Compliance with corrective actions is verified, and observations are closed only after thorough review. Subsequent audits and surveillances also check the ongoing effectiveness of these actions.

-DGCA takes enforcement action, including financial penalties, against operators found to be in violation of regulations or non-compliant during audits or surveillance.

-Accident and incident data are regularly analyzed. Based on the analysis, safety information and recommendations are disseminated through Safety Circulars and advisories.

-Recommendations from accident and incident investigation reports are implemented to address identified safety gaps and prevent similar incidents.

(d): Government of India has accorded 'In-Principle" approval for setting up of 21 Greenfield Airports across the country namely Mopa in Goa, Navi Mumbai, Shirdi and Sindhudurg in Maharashtra, Kalaburagi, Vijayapura, Hassan and Shivamogga in Karnataka, Dabra (Gwalior) in Madhya Pradesh, Kushinagar and Noida (Jewar) in Uttar Pradesh, Dholera and Rajkot (Hirasar) in Gujarat, Karaikal in Puducherry, Dagadarthi , Bhogapuram and Oravakal (Kurnool) in Andhra Pradesh, Durgapur in West Bengal, Pakyong in Sikkim, Kannur in Kerala and Itanagar (Hollongi) in Arunachal Pradesh, as per GFA Policy, 2008. Out of these, 12 Greenfield airports viz. Durgapur, Shirdi, Kannur, Pakyong, Kalaburagi, Orvakal (Kurnool), Sindhudurg, Kushinagar, Itanagar (Hollongi), Mopa, Shivamogga and Rajkot (Hirasar) have been operationalised.

In Bihar, AAI has undertaken action for development of new Civil Enclaves at Bihta and Purnea Air Force Stations.

Annexure referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Starrred Question No. 62 for 10.02.2025

| S. NO. | STATE / UT | NAME OF AIRPORT |
|--------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | A&N ISLAND (UT) | PORT BLAIR |
| 2 | ANDHRA PRADESH | KADAPA |
| 3 | ANDHRA PRADESH | KURNOOL |
| 4 | ANDHRA PRADESH | RAJAHMUNDRY |
| 5 | ANDHRA PRADESH | TIRUPATI |
| 6 | ANDHRA PRADESH | VIJAYAWADA |
| 7 | ANDHRA PRADESH | VISAKHAPATNAM |
| 8 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | DONYI POLO (ITANAGAR) |
| 9 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | PASSIGHAT (CE) |
| 10 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | TEZU |
| 11 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | ZIRO |
| 12 | ASSAM | DIBRUGARH (MOHANBARI) |
| 13 | ASSAM | GUWAHATI (LGBI) |
| 14 | ASSAM | JORHAT |
| 15 | ASSAM | LILABARI (NORTH LAKHIMPUR) |
| 16 | ASSAM | RUPSI |
| 17 | ASSAM | SILCHAR |
| 18 | ASSAM | TEZPUR |
| 19 | BIHAR | DARBHANGA |
| 20 | BIHAR | GAYA |
| 21 | BIHAR | PATNA |
| 22 | CHANDIGARH (UT) | CHANDIGARH |
| 23 | CHHATTISGARH | AMBIKAPUR |
| 24 | CHHATTISGARH | BILASPUR |
| 25 | CHHATTISGARH | JAGDALPUR |
| 26 | CHHATTISGARH | RAIPUR |
| 27 | DAMAN & DIU (UT) | DIU |
| 28 | DELHI (UT) | DELHI , IGI AIRPORT |
| 29 | DELHI (UT) | SAFDARJUNG |
| 30 | GOA | GOA |
| 31 | GOA | MOPA |
| 32 | GUJARAT | AHMEDABAD (SVBPI) |
| 33 | GUJARAT | BHAVNAGAR |
| 34 | GUJARAT | BHUJ |
| 35 | GUJARAT | JAMNAGAR |
| 36 | GUJARAT | KANDLA |
| 37 | GUJARAT | KESHOD (JUNAGARH) |
| 38 | GUJARAT | MUNDRA |

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| 39 | GUJARAT | PORBANDAR |
| 40 | GUJARAT | RAJKOT (HIRASAR) |
| 41 | GUJARAT | SABARMATI RIVER FRONT (WA) |
| 42 | GUJARAT | STATUE OF UNITY (WA) |
| 43 | GUJARAT | SURAT |
| 44 | GUJARAT | VADODARA |
| 45 | HARYANA | HISAR |
| 46 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | KANGRA (GAGGAL) |
| 47 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | KULLU MANALI (BHUNTAR) |
| 48 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | MANDI(H) |
| 49 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | RAMPUR(H) |
| 50 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | SHIMLA |
| 51 | JAMMU & KASHMIR (UT) | JAMMU |
| 52 | JAMMU & KASHMIR (UT) | SRINAGAR |
| 53 | JHARKHAND | DEOGHAR |
| 54 | JHARKHAND | JAMSHEDPUR |
| 55 | JHARKHAND | RANCHI |
| 56 | KARNATAKA | BELAGAVI |
| 57 | KARNATAKA | BENGALURU (BIAL) |
| 58 | KARNATAKA | BENGALURU (HAL) |
| 59 | KARNATAKA | BIDAR |
| 60 | KARNATAKA | HUBBALLI |
| 61 | KARNATAKA | JINDAL VIJAYANAGAR |
| 62 | KARNATAKA | KALABURAGI |
| 63 | KARNATAKA | MANGALURU |
| 64 | KARNATAKA | MYSURU |
| 65 | KARNATAKA | SHIVAMOGGA |
| 66 | KERALA | CALICUT |
| 67 | KERALA | COCHIN (CIAL) |
| 68 | KERALA | KANNUR (KIAL) |
| 69 | KERALA | THIRUVANANTHAPURAM |
| 70 | LADAKH (UT) | LEH |
| 71 | LAKSHDWEET (UT) | AGATTI |
| 72 | MADHYA PRADESH | BHOPAL |
| 73 | MADHYA PRADESH | GWALIOR |
| 74 | MADHYA PRADESH | INDORE |
| 75 | MADHYA PRADESH | JABALPUR |
| 76 | MADHYA PRADESH | KHAJURAHO |
| 77 | MADHYA PRADESH | REWA |
| 78 | MAHARASHTRA | AKOLA |
| 79 | MAHARASHTRA | AURANGABAD |
| 80 | MAHARASHTRA | GONDIA |

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| 81 | MAHARASHTRA | JALGAON |
| 82 | MAHARASHTRA | JUHU |
| 83 | MAHARASHTRA | KOLHAPUR |
| 84 | MAHARASHTRA | MUMBAI,CSMI AIRPORT |
| 85 | MAHARASHTRA | NAGPUR |
| 86 | MAHARASHTRA | NANDED |
| 87 | MAHARASHTRA | NASIK (HAL OZAR) |
| 88 | MAHARASHTRA | PUNE |
| 89 | MAHARASHTRA | SHIRDI |
| 90 | MAHARASHTRA | SINDHUDURG |
| 91 | MAHARASHTRA | SOLAPUR |
| 92 | MANIPUR | IMPHAL |
| 93 | MANIPUR | JIRIBAM (H) |
| 94 | MANIPUR | TAMENGLONG (H) |
| 95 | MEGHALAYA | BARAPANI (SHILLONG) |
| 96 | MIZORAM | LENGPUI (AIZWAL) |
| 97 | NAGALAND | DIMAPUR |
| 98 | ODISHA | BHUBANESWAR |
| 99 | ODISHA | JEYPORE |
| 100 | ODISHA | JHARSUGUDA |
| 101 | ODISHA | ROURKELA |
| 102 | ODISHA | UTKELA |
| 103 | PUDUCHERRY (UT) | PUDUCHERRY |
| 104 | PUNJAB | ADAMPUR (JALANDHAR) |
| 105 | PUNJAB | AMRITSAR |
| 106 | PUNJAB | BHATINDA |
| 107 | PUNJAB | LUDHIANA |
| 108 | PUNJAB | PATHANKOT |
| 109 | RAJASTHAN | BIKANER |
| 110 | RAJASTHAN | JAIPUR |
| 111 | RAJASTHAN | JAISALMER |
| 112 | RAJASTHAN | JODHPUR |
| 113 | RAJASTHAN | KISHANGARH |
| 114 | RAJASTHAN | KOTA |
| 115 | RAJASTHAN | UDAIPUR |
| 116 | SIKKIM | PAKYONG |
| 117 | TAMIL NADU | CHENNAI |
| 118 | TAMIL NADU | COIMBATORE |
| 119 | TAMIL NADU | MADURAI |
| 120 | TAMIL NADU | SALEM |
| 121 | TAMIL NADU | TIRUCHIRAPPALLI |
| 122 | TAMIL NADU | TUTICORIN |

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| 123 | TELANGANA | HYDERABAD (BEGUMPET) |
| 124 | TELANGANA | HYDERABAD (GHIAL) |
| 125 | TRIPURA | AGARTALA |
| 126 | UTTAR PRADESH | AGRA |
| 127 | UTTAR PRADESH | ALIGARH |
| 128 | UTTAR PRADESH | AYODHYA |
| 129 | UTTAR PRADESH | AZAMGARH |
| 130 | UTTAR PRADESH | BAREILLY |
| 131 | UTTAR PRADESH | CHITRAKOOT |
| 132 | UTTAR PRADESH | GORAKHPUR |
| 133 | UTTAR PRADESH | HINDAN |
| 134 | UTTAR PRADESH | KANPUR (CHAKERI) |
| 135 | UTTAR PRADESH | KANPUR (CIVIL) |
| 136 | UTTAR PRADESH | KUSHINAGAR |
| 137 | UTTAR PRADESH | LUCKNOW |
| 138 | UTTAR PRADESH | MEERUT |
| 139 | UTTAR PRADESH | MORADABAD |
| 140 | UTTAR PRADESH | PRAYAGRAJ |
| 141 | UTTAR PRADESH | SHRAVASTI |
| 142 | UTTAR PRADESH | VARANASI |
| 143 | UTTARAKHAND | ALMORAH (H) |
| 144 | UTTARAKHAND | CHAMPAWAT (H) |
| 145 | UTTARAKHAND | CHINYALI SAUR (H) |
| 146 | UTTARAKHAND | DEHRADUN |
| 147 | UTTARAKHAND | GAUCHER (H) |
| 148 | UTTARAKHAND | HALDWANI(H) |
| 149 | UTTARAKHAND | MUNSYARI (H) |
| 150 | UTTARAKHAND | NEW TEHRI(H) |
| 151 | UTTARAKHAND | PANTNAGAR |
| 152 | UTTARAKHAND | PITHORAGARH |
| 153 | UTTARAKHAND | SAHASTRADHARA(H) |
| 154 | UTTARAKHAND | SRINAGAR(H) |
| 155 | WEST BENGAL | BAGDOGRA |
| 156 | WEST BENGAL | BEHALA |
| 157 | WEST BENGAL | COOCH BEHAR |
| 158 | WEST BENGAL | DURGAPUR |
| 159 | WEST BENGAL | KOLKATA (NSCBI) |