

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 2691  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 24<sup>th</sup> March 2025)**

**PHASE 2 EXPANSION OF CHENNAI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

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

- (a) the status of Phase 2 expansion of Chennai International Airport;
- (b) the reasons for delay in opening it to the public, since despite of opening of new Integrated Terminal under phase 1, most parts are not accessible to passengers;
- (c) the estimated capacity of passengers, airport could handle once Phase 2 is completed; and
- (d) whether passenger facilities would be increased by having more counters and entry/exit points, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION**

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (d): AAI has undertaken the expansion and modernization of Chennai Airport in two phases at a total cost of Rs. 2467 crore. Under Phase-I, a New Integrated Terminal Building has been constructed, increasing the airport's passenger handling capacity from 23 Million Passengers Per Annum (MPPA) to 30 MPPA. The terminal has been operational since 08.07.2023 and all the passenger facilities are accessible to the passengers.

Phase-II involves the development of Terminal-3, further enhancing the airport's capacity to 35 MPPA. The Projected Date of Completion of this phase is March, 2026. The passenger facilities like additional check-in counters, Immigration counters, Automatic Tray Return Systems in Security Check and additional baggage belts are also part of the Phase-II development.

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