

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 1621
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 15th December 2025)

FLIGHT LANDING CAPBILITIES AT REGIONAL AIRPORTS

1621. SHRI RATANJIT PRATAP NARAIN SINGH

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

- (a) whether investments are being made to equip regional airports with night landing capabilities;
- (b) the manner in which instrument landing systems, runway lighting, and air traffic control facilities are being upgraded in phases;
- (c) the criteria that determines the selection of airports for such upgrades under regional connectivity enhancement plans; and
- (d) the manner in which this step will improve airline schedule flexibility and stimulate economic activity in hinterland areas?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (c): The upgradation of Instrument Landing Systems, runway lighting and air traffic control facilities is undertaken in accordance with the Communication, Navigation, Surveillance / Air Traffic Management infrastructure upgradation policy of the Airports Authority of India. This policy considers operational requirements, air traffic density and prevailing visibility conditions at the respective airports before determining enhancement plans.

(d): The availability of night-landing facilities leads to reduction in flight diversions arising from poor visibility conditions, thereby providing greater flexibility in airline scheduling.
