

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO : 7
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 1st December 2025)**

MODERNIZATION OF AIRPORT NAVIGATION SYSTEMS

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

- (a) the technical failure on 6th and 7th November 2025 at Indira Gandhi International (IGI) airport, when the Automatic Message Switching System (AMSS) malfunctioned, forcing controllers to switch to manual operations and causing significant flight delays, whether the Airports Authority of India (AAI) has urged modernization of navigation systems;
- (b) if so, the details of the proposed upgrades and budget allocation;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the measures to ensure safety audits for all major airports?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

- (a) to (c): The Airports Authority of India (AAI) undertakes periodic modernization of air navigation infrastructure and enhancement of air traffic management systems in accordance with operational requirements. In response to the technical failure at Delhi Airport on 6-7 November 2025, AAI has undertaken the replacement of the existing IP-based Automatic Message Switching System (AMSS) with the new Air Traffic Services Message Handling System (AMHS).
- (d): Airports Authority of India (AAI) has been directed to carry out a comprehensive audit of all Communication, Navigation, and Surveillance (CNS) systems across the airports to evaluate their condition, operational reliability, and lifecycle management.
