

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 38
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 20th July 2026
PARANDUR AIRPORT IN TAMIL NADU

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

- (a) the current progress of the proposed Greenfield airport at Parandur, Chennai, including stage-wise progress, total estimated project cost, budgetary allocation made so far and the anticipated timeline for completion;
- (b) whether the new Tamil Nadu Government has requested the Central Government to change the proposed site of the Greenfield Airport, if so, the details of such request, date-wise, and the response of Government thereon; and
- (c) the present status of expansion and development works at Chennai, Coimbatore, Salem, Tiruchirappalli, Madurai and Tuticorin airports, indicating the project-wise budget allocation, physical and financial progress, expected date of completion and other relevant details?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a): Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has granted 'In-Principle' approval to TamilNadu Industrial Development Corporation Limited (TIDCO), a Government of Tamil Nadu Enterprise for development of an International Greenfield Airport at Parandur on 07.04.2025. As per In-Principle application submitted by TIDCO in September, 2024, estimated project cost for Phase-1 is approximately Rs. 10500 crore.

As per the Greenfield Airports Policy, 2008, the responsibility for implementation of the Greenfield airport projects including land acquisition, R&R, funding, obtaining environment clearances etc. lies with the airport developer concerned or the State Government, as the case may be. The timeline for completion of the airport projects depends upon many factors such as land acquisition, availability of mandatory clearances, financial closure etc.

(b) No.

(c): Upgradation/modernisation of existing airports is a continuous process. Major expansion and development works at Chennai, Tiruchirappalli and Coimbatore airports include:

Chennai: Phase-II modernization at a cost of Rs. 2,467 crore with approx. physical and financial progress of 81% & 71% respectively. Additional works like Storm water drain modification (Rs. 209.01 Cr.), Terminal 1 refurbishment (Rs. 81.8 Cr.) and airside infrastructure development (Rs. 480.06 Cr.) have been undertaken.

Tiruchirappalli: New ATC Tower-cum-Technical block works at a cost of Rs. 80.17 crore with approx. physical and financial progress of 76% and 49% respectively.

Coimbatore: Construction of Boundary Wall at the newly acquired land at a cost of Rs.51.31 crore and addition & alteration to existing Terminal Building at a cost of Rs. 13.71 crore have commenced.
