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Growth in Air Passenger Traffic

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has proposed a comprehensive 25 year master plan for airports to keep pace with the double digit growth in passenger traffic, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the master plan, among other methods would also look into the need for multiple airports in cities, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Airports Authority of India is currently undertaking expansion of a number of its airports with new terminal buildings at an approximate cost of Rs. 4,200 crore; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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(a) : Augmentation of airport infrastructure is a continuous process and Airports Authority of India (AAI) regularly reviews and monitors the development needs of various airports based on traffic demand. In order to augment capacity to meet the present and forecasted growth, AAI has reviewed airport infrastructure i.e. runway capacity, taxiways, Rapid Exist Taxiways, apron, new terminal building/expansion of existing building, construction of cargo building, hangars, car parking and approach road etc. of top 20 airports and initiated action to meet the demand. Further, the modernisation of Air Navigation Services infrastructure is also being taken up to meet the growing congestion in air due to increase in number of aircrafts and their movement en-route and at airports.

(b): The existing airports in metro cities are getting congested due to constraints of existing airport infrastructure and land availability for further expansion, which are likely to be saturated within next decade resulting in need for second Greenfield airport for the city. Government has already granted permission for second airport at Goa and Mumbai and initiated construction of second airport. Government has also granted site clearance for new Greenfield Airport at Jewar in Greater Noida to meet the passenger traffic demand generated by Delhi-NCR. AAI/Ministry of Civil Aviation are coordinating with State Government of West Bengal and Tamil Nadu for construction of new Greenfield Airport for Kolkata and Chennai.

(c) & (d): AAI has identified 11 airports and initiated the process for construction/modernisation of Terminal Buildings namely Agartala, Guwahati, Lucknow, Chennai, Tiruchirapalli, Dehradun, Leh, Jaipur, Pune, Jabalpur and Patna with an estimated cost of Rs.10251.28 crore.