

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2630  
(To be answered on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2018)**

**TIRUPATI AND VIJAYAWADA AIRPORTS**

**2630. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**  
नागर विमानन मंत्री

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) whether Tirupati and Vijayawada have been declared as international airports and if so, the details thereof;  
(b) the reasons that, not even a single international flight is being operated from the above said airports; and  
(c) the steps taken/being taken by the Ministry to Commence international flights from the above airports?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION**  
नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

**(Shri Jayant Sinha)**

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**(a): Yes, Madam. Tirupati Airport and Vijayawada Airport have been declared as International Airports w.e.f 12.06.2017 and 01.08.2017 respectively.**

**(b) & (c): Indian carriers are free to mount air services from any point in India to foreign destinations as per the respective bilateral air service agreements. However, actual operations are guided by traffic demand and commercial judgment of the airlines. The Government does not interfere in the operation plan of airline operators.**

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