

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 353
(To be answered on the 19th July 2018)

OPERATIONS FROM VISAKHAPATNAM AIRPORT

353. SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Visakhapatnam airport which is being operated by the Navy, has decided to curtail the timings of airport from 1 November, 2018 onwards, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Union Government is contemplating to shift the Navy base from existing Visakhapatnam airport to other areas or any alternative arrangements have been made to run the airport so as to operate/allow international flights; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a): In a meeting held recently by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) with the representatives of Indian Navy and airline operators, regarding hours of operations at Vishakhapatnam, it has been decided as under: -

- (i) Monday to Friday : 0930-1230 IST (for Naval flight operations).
- (ii) Tuesday & Thursday : 1900-2100 IST (Mixed operations for Civil & Military flights, Existing flights will not be curtailed. Military flights will be accorded priority and airlines are requested NOT to add new flights in this period)
- (iii) Saturday & Sunday : 0930 -1130 IST (For Runway Maintenance)

(b) & (c): No, Madam. No such proposal is under consideration in this Ministry.
