## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 1023 (To be answered on the 27<sup>th</sup> June 2019)

## STATUS OF BHOGAPURAM AIRPORT

## 1023. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a): the progress of setting up of Bhogapuram airport in Andhra Pradesh; (b): whether Airports Authority of India (AAI) would continue its operations from Visakhapatnam airport inspite of Bhogapuram coming into being; and (c): if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

## ANSWER

Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
नगर विमानन मंत्रालय मंत्री(स्वतंत्रप्रभार) (Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a): Government of India (GoI), Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has granted approval to Bhogapuram International Airport Corporation Limited (BIACL) for setting up of new Greenfield Airport for public use in Vizianagaram District, near Visakhapatnam on 07.10.2016.
(b) & (c): As per the approval granted by GoI, MoCA, the scheduled operations at the existing Vizag Naval Airfield will be stopped for a period of 30 years with effect from the date of commencement of operations at the proposed Greenfield airport at Bhogapuram.