

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 367
(To be answered on the 8th December 2022)**

DEPLOYMENT OF ADVANCED SECURITY GADGETS AT AIRPORTS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to deploy 26 different kinds of gadgets like explosive baggage scanners, Perimeter Intrusion Detection System (PIDS) and with other world class technology gadgets to strengthen security at 18 sensitive airports in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the funds earmarked for the same; and
- (c) the list of airports designated as sensitive airports in the country and their daily flights and Passenger handling capacity; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to strengthen the security and safety of airports;

ANSWER

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(a) to (c): Equipping airports with emerging technologies is an ongoing process. Some of the technologies deployed and proposed for deployment at sensitive airports are:

- i. Computer Tomography Explosive Detection Systems (CT-EDS) machines.**
- ii. Dual Generator X-BIS machines**
- iii. Automated Tray Retrieval System (ATRS) has been installed at Chennai, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Delhi and is under trials at Delhi and a few more airports.**
- iv. Direction has been issued for Minimum Technical specification for Perimeter Intrusion Detection System (PIDS). It has been installed at Delhi, Hyderabad and Bangalore airports.**
- v. The Full Body Scanner at all airports is planned in a phased manner with all Hypersensitive and Sensitive airports on priority basis.**
- vi. Radiological Detection Equipment (RDE) at Indian Airports are planned in phased manner**

vii. Biometric Centralized Access Control Systems have been launched in 48 Airports.

Capital expenditure on security equipment are borne by the respective airport operators. 62 airports are categorized as sensitive. (List is at Annexure I). The daily flights and passenger handling capacity of sensitive airports is at Annexure II.

(d):Strengthening of safety and security at airports is an ongoing process and reviewed from time to time by the safety regulator Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and security regulator, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS), in consultation with the other concerned agencies and stakeholders, including Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) and Airport Operators, depending upon threat perceptions.
