GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 2755 (To be answered on the 16th March 2023)

REVIVAL OF RAXAUL AIRPORT

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION लागर विमालल मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to revive Raxaul Airport at Champaran, Bihar and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the additional 121 acres of land as required has been transferred by the Government of Bihar to the Union Government and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any timeline for the completion of the revival project;
- (d) if so, the time by which Raxaul Airport is expected to be functioning;
- (e) whether there are any other issues faced in terms of co-operation from the Government of Bihar, or otherwise, for this project; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

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- (a): Airports Authority of India (AAI) had conducted a feasibility study for revival of Raxaul Airport and as per the study, Raxaul Airport can be developed for ATR-72 / Q-400 type of aircrafts for IFR operations subject to handing over of 121 acres of land by State Government to AAI free of cost and free from all encumbrances.
- (b): The required additional 121 acres of land is yet to be transferred by the Government of Bihar to AAI.
- (c) to (f): The timeline for completion of the airport projects and commencement of flight operations depend upon many factors such as availability of mandatory clearances, financial closure, commercial viability, traffic demand/willingness of airlines to operate to/from such airports etc.
