

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 74  
(To be answered on the 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023)**

**AIRPORTS IN UTTAR PRADESH**

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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) the details of total number of airports sanctioned for Uttar Pradesh by the Government under its various schemes during the last five years, district-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has set any timeline to complete all the proposed aviation projects in Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the initiatives taken by the Government to increase the number of international airports in the country?

**ANSWER**

**Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री**

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(a) to (c): Government of India (GoI) has accorded 'In-Principle' approval for setting up of a Greenfield Airport viz. Noida (Jewar) International Airport in Gautam Budh Nagar district in the State of Uttar Pradesh on 08.05.2018. Foundation stone for the same was laid on 25.11.2021. The probable date of completion of the Noida (Jewar) Greenfield airport project is September, 2024.

(d): Declaration of an airport as International Airport depends upon traffic potential, demand from airlines for operation of international flights and bilateral Air Services Agreement besides provision of Ground Lighting facilities, Instrument Landing System, runway length, Immigration, Health and Animal & Plant Quarantine services etc.

In the past nine years, four Greenfield airports at Kannur in Kerala, Shirdi in Maharashtra, Kushinagar in Uttar Pradesh and Mopa in Goa have been developed as international airports. In addition, two existing airports namely, Vijayawada and Tirupati airports in Andhra Pradesh have been declared as international airports in 2017. At present, there are 30 international airports in the country, with three in Uttar Pradesh viz. Kushinagar, Varanasi, and Lucknow international airports.

Government of India has also accorded 'in-principle' approval for setting up of five more international Greenfield Airports at Jewar in Uttar Pradesh, Bhogapuram in Andhra Pradesh, Dholera and Hirasar in Gujarat, and Navi Mumbai in Maharashtra which are at various stages of development.

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