

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Lok Sabha
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1921
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 14th December 2023)
FLIGHT FROM TIRUCHIRAPPALLI TO VARANASI

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Union Government has taken any steps to provide air connectivity between the Tiruchirappalli to Varanasi via New Delhi and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the details and the steps taken to increase the domestic air connectivity in Tiruchirappalli international airport; and**
- (c) the progress and the date of completion of the projects at Tiruchirappalli international airport?**

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION
(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

(a) & (b): As per DGCA approved 'Winter Schedule-2023' effective from 29th Oct, 2023 till 30th Mar, 2024, no scheduled Indian airline has filed to operate scheduled flights from Tiruchirappalli to Varanasi via New Delhi.;

With repeal of Air Corporation Act in March 1994, the Indian domestic aviation was totally deregulated. Airlines are free to induct capacity with any aircraft type, free to select whatever markets and network they wish to service and operate with the compliance of Route Dispersal Guidelines(RDGs) issued by Government. Hence, it is up to the airline operator to consider the introduction of air services to/from any city in the country depending on their operational & commercial viabilities.;

(c) Details attached as Annexure.

ANNEXURE**Upgradation of passenger Terminal Building and Air side facilities at Tiruchirappalli (Trichy) International Airport.**

SL NO.	NAME OF WORK	AWARDED COST (IN Cr.)	Physical Progress (%)	PDC
Package-I	Construction of Apron, associated taxiways, Isolation Bay, GSE Area and associated works	44.52	100%	Work Completed on 05.08.2022
Package-II	Construction of New Terminal Building, elevated road along-with associated electromechanical, airport system, IT works including comprehensive maintenance and operation.	666.42	95.50%	31.12.2023
Package-III	Provision of Inline Baggage Handling System+ Security Equipment	91.72	92%	31.12.2023
Package-IV	Interior works for VIP & CIP Lounges, Passenger Toilets and Art works including associated Electrical works.	11.04	80%	31.12.2023
Package-V	Providing PBBs and AVDGS for contact bays.	176.62	92%	31.12.2023