

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 867
(To be answered on the 7th December 2023)**

EXTENSION OF RUNWAY

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) the bottlenecks faced by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) to extend the runways and/or expand the airfields/terminals;
- (b) the details of airports which require extension of runways and expansion of terminals in Tamil Nadu; and
- (c) the details of new greenfield airports constructed in the country, particularly in Tamil Nadu?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(a): The Airports Authority of India encounters land related bottlenecks such as delay in handing over of land to AAI by the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations/ Defence authorities, while extending the runways and/or expanding the airfields/ terminals.

(b): The upgradation of infrastructure/facilities at airports including extension of runways and expansion of terminal buildings is a continuous process, which is undertaken by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) or the concerned Airport Operators depending upon operational requirements, traffic, demand, commercial feasibility, availability of land etc.

(c): Government of India has accorded 'In-Principle' approval for setting up of 21 new Greenfield Airports across the country namely, Mopa in Goa, Navi Mumbai, Shirdi and Sindhudurg in Maharashtra, Kalaburagi, Vijayapura, Hassan and Shivamogga in Karnataka, Dabra (Gwalior) in Madhya Pradesh, Kushinagar and Noida (Jewar) in Uttar Pradesh, Dholera and Rajkot in Gujarat, Karaikal in Puducherry, Dagadarthi, Bhogapuram and Orvakal (Kurnool) in Andhra Pradesh, Durgapur in West Bengal, Pakyong in Sikkim, Kannur in Kerala and Hollongi (Itanagar) in Arunachal Pradesh across the

country. Out of these, 12 Greenfield airports viz. Durgapur, Shirdi, Kannur, Pakyong, Kalaburagi, Orvakal (Kurnool), Sindhudurg, Kushinagar, Itanagar, Mopa, Shivamogga and Rajkot have been operationalised.
