GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 786 (To be answered on the 6th February 2020)

CONSTRUCTION OF INTEGRATED TERMINAL BUILDING

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION लागर विमालत मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a) the details of the progress of the construction of the Integrated Terminal Building at the Vijayawada Airport;

(b) whether the progress of the airport is behind the schedule and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the airport has bilateral traffic right and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether the Government has any plans to further develop the Vijayawada Airport and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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- (a) & (b): Airports Authority of India (AAI) has initiated the process for development of Vijayawada Airport which involves construction of Integrated Terminal Building to handle 1200 peak hour passengers along with new apron to park 3 nos. of Code E type aircraft and allied structures at a cost of Rs. 611.80 crore. The tender for construction of the terminal building has been called. Since the work has not been awarded yet, the question of delay does not arise.
- (c): Vijayawada Airport has been declared as an International Airport. However, it has not been granted as a Point of Call for foreign carriers whereas Indian carriers are free to mount operations from any point in India including Vijayawada subject to existing capacity entitlement as per the bilateral Air Service Agreement (ASA) between India and the concerned country. However, airlines operations are always guided by commercial judgment of airlines.

(d): Development of airports is a continuous process. The new Integrated Terminal Building at Vijayawada Airport is expected to cater to traffic requirement till the year 2028.