

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2047
(To be answered on the 9th December 2021)**

EXPANSION OF CALICUT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

2047. SHRI M.K.RAGHAVAN

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to expand Calicut International Airport and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government plans to bring in more regional flights to Calicut Airport under UDAN scheme and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether any new passenger amenities are being introduced at Calicut International Airport and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) whether any steps are being taken to beef up customs facility at Calicut Airport for speedy disposal of passengers?**

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD))

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- (a): Airports Authority of India (AAI) has projected a land requirement of about 152 acre for development/construction of terminal building, apron, car parking and associated infrastructure at Calicut airport.**
 - (b): 'Calicut - Delhi - Calicut' route has been awarded in the 3rd round of bidding under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS)-UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik) for operations of UDAN flights. UDAN is a market driven scheme. The interested airlines based on their assessment of demand on particular routes, submit their proposals at the time of bidding under UDAN from time to time.**
 - (c): The upgradation of passenger amenities at airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by AAI from time to time depending on the availability of land, commercial viability, socio-economic considerations etc. In view of heavy rains in the region, AAI is working on a proposal for Canopy connecting Terminal Building and Car Park to facilitate all weather access from Terminal Building to Car Park.**
 - (d): The new International Arrival Building with 17000 sq meter area was inaugurated on 22.02.2019, which provides ample space for the facilitation of the passengers including improved services by customs.**