

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3022  
(To be answered on the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021)**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF BIOMETRIC BOARDING SYSTEM AT  
AIRPORT**

3022. **SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA  
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIV RAO MANDLIK  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE  
SHRI RAVI KISHAN  
SHRI SUBRAT PATHAK  
SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHAWAHA  
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

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**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to install Biometric Boarding System(BBS) at six airports;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the various benefits which are likely to be generated with the implementation of said system;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any time limit for implementation of this system and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to implement the said BBS at all the airports in the country; and
- (e) whether the Airports Authority of India (AAI) plans to invest around Rs.25,000 crore for expansion/development of existing and new terminals using modern technology and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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

**ताम्र विमानत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री**

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**a) & b) Four Airports of Airports Authority of India(AAI) namely Varanasi, Pune, Kolkata and Vijayawada and Three Joint Venture Airports namely Hyderabad International Airport Ltd. (HIAL), Bangalore International Airport Ltd. (BIAL), & Delhi International Airport Ltd. (DIAL) have completed preliminary testing of the Digi Yatra Biometric boarding system with registration only for the 'Day of Travel'. Further, it will facilitate optimized utilization of resources of airports, airlines etc. Digi Yatra Central Eco-system is aligned to the global processes of IATA Travel Pass for interoperability for seamless international travel.**

**c) & d) Digi Yatra Scheme is to be implemented across various airports in a phased manner. In first phase, it is planned to go live at selected airports in the year 2022.**

**e) AAI has taken up development of new airports and expansion/upgradation of existing airports with an investment pipeline of Rs. 25,000 crores in next 4-5 years which includes expansion and modification of existing terminals, setting up new terminals, expansion or strengthening of existing runways, aprons, Airport Navigation Services (ANS), control towers, technical blocks etc.**

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