

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1588
(To be answered on the 10th February 2022)**

UPGRADATION OF SWAMI VIVEKANAND AIRPORT

1588. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR SONI

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to include Swami Vivekanand Airport, Raipur, Chhattisgarh in the proposed list of international airports and if so, the details thereof; and**
(b) the time by which the said airport is likely to be included in the said list?

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia)

(a) & (b): Raipur is a domestic airport of Airports Authority of India(AAI). Declaration of an airport as International Airport depends upon the traffic potential and the demand from airlines for operation of international flights, bilateral Air Services Agreement besides provision of Ground Lighting facilities, Instrument Landing System, adequate runway length, Immigration, Health and Animal & Plant Quarantine services etc. The timeline for declaration of an Airport as an International Airport depends on completion and commissioning of these pre-requisites. Presently, no proposal to declare Swami Vivekanand airport as an International Airport is under consideration in the Ministry.
