

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2747  
(To be answered on the 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022)**

**SETTING UP OF AIRPORT IN TAMIL NADU**

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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

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**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up an airport in Ramnad District in Ramanthapuram, Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof;  
(b) whether setting up of airport in the district would boost the economy and tourism and if so, the details thereof;  
(c) the time by which the said airport is likely to be set up?

**ANSWER**

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

**तागर विमानतल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री**

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(a) to (c): Development of a Greenfield airport is governed under the Greenfield Airports (GFA) Policy, 2008. As per the Policy, a State Government or an Airport Developer, willing to establish an airport, is required to send a proposal to the Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) for 2-stages approval i.e. 'Site-Clearance' followed by 'In-Principle' approval. Such proposals are considered by MoCA as per the procedure stipulated in the GFA Policy. As of now, no proposal has been received for establishment of an airport in Ramnad District in Ramanthapuram, Tamil Nadu, either from the State Government or from any other Airport Developer. The linkage between the Civil Aviation Sector and Economic Growth is well recognized. International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) study shows that the air connectivity has an economic multiplier of 3.1 and employment multiplier of 6.1.

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