

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
Lok Sabha**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 1911
(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 28th July 2022)**

DEVELOPMENT OF AVIATION INFRASTRUCTURE

1911. SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether any steps have been taken by the Government to expand airports and upgrade aviation infrastructure in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof including the action taken during the last three years;**
- (b) whether the Government has any report assessment on action taken to help airports after the Covid-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the details of the projects currently underway in Tamil Nadu along with the details of completion stage, funds allocated and funds spent for these projects; and**
- (d) whether the Government proposes for development of aviation infrastructure in Thanjavur, Thoothukudi and Coimbatore and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia)

(a): Upgradation/ Modernisation of airports, including those in Tamil Nadu, is a continuous process and is undertaken by Airports Authority of India (AAI) and other Airport Operators from time to time depending on the availability of land, commercial viability, socio-economic considerations, traffic demand / willingness of airlines to operate to/from such airports. AAI and other Airport Operators have targeted capital outlay of approximately Rs. 91000 crore in the airport sector across India in the next five years for expansion and modification of existing terminals, new terminals and strengthening of runways, among other activities. The details of the works completed by AAI during last 3 years at various airports in Tamil Nadu is enclosed as Annexure-I.;

(b): No such report assessment has been prepared by the Ministry. However, in order to regain financial health of airports, Ministry of Civil Aviation vide Order No. 27/2021 dated 12.10.2021 has restored the schedule for the domestic air operations w.e.f. 18th October, 2021 without any capacity restriction. The domestic capacity of the airlines has been restored to full, as existed during pre-Covid times. With regard to schedule international operation, to/from country, DGCA (Directorate General of Civil Aviation) has issued Circular dated 08.03.2022 for resumption of scheduled commercial international passenger services to/from India w.e.f. 27.03.2022 i.e. start of Summer schedule, 2022.;

(c): The details of the projects undertaken by AAI at various airports in Tamil Nadu are enclosed as Annexure-II.;

(d): AAI has proposed to develop New Civil Enclave at Thanjavur Airport and extension of runway at Coimbatore Airport, for which the required land is yet to be handed over to AAI by State Government. Also, AAI has already taken up the works of construction of New Domestic Terminal Building and extension of runway at Tuticorin Airport.

Details of works completed at Airports in Tamil Nadu in last 3 years

S. No.	Airport	Name of Project	Completion Cost as on 30.06.2022 (Rs. in Crore)	Date of Completion
1.	Trichy	Resurfacing of Existing Runway 09/27 and associated works at Trichy international Airport, Trichy	17.73	15.11.2021
2.		Construction of staff quarters at Coimbatore International Airport & Construction of new Residential Staff Quarters, CISF Barracks, Dog kennel & Community hall at old wireless station at Trichy Airport.	62.7	30.05.2022
3.	Madurai	Extension of apron and allied works at Madurai Airport.	22.16	15.04.2021
4.		Resurfacing of Existing Runway 09/27 for code 'C' type of Aircraft and Associated works at Madurai Airport.	26.2	30.05.2022
5.	Coimbatore	Construction of additional Apron for parking 5 Nos of category C Type and extension of apron for 2 Nos ATR at Coimbatore international Airport.	25.28	31.08.2021
6.		C/o new Departure Terminal Building at Coimbatore International Airport SH: Relocation of Pump house Water tanks, Canteen, union office, Kalyanamayee etc.	2.1	15.01.2022
7.		Construction of staff quarters at Coimbatore International Airport & Construction of new Residential Staff Quarters, CISF Barracks, Dog kennel & Community hall at old wireless station at Trichy Airport.	38.46	30.04.2022
8.	Chennai	C/o 'R' & 'N' Taxi track left out portion connecting Rwy 12.30 at Chennai airport.	64.28	31.03.2021
9.		Construction of 2 Nos Rapid Exit Taxiways (RET), for the main Runway 07/25 and Strengthening of B Taxiway as Parallel Taxi Track suitable for Code E Aircraft, at Chennai International Airport, Chennai (Civil Works).	73.88	18.08.2021

Details of works undertaken at Airports in Tamil Nadu

S.No.	Name of Airport	Name of Work	Funds Allocated (Rs in Crore)	Funds spent as on 30.06.2022 (Rs in Crore)
1.	Chennai	Modernization of Chennai Airport - Phase-II.	2467	997.85
2.		Construction of balance portion of Link taxiway's 'N1' and 'F' connecting with B taxi, Resurfacing of B-taxiway Between 'K' taxiway to 'M' taxiway and construction of cargo bays in the Old ceremonial lounge and Air India Cargo location at Chennai Airport, Chennai.	97.60	0.94
3.		Construction of Balance Portion of 3 Nos. Rapid Exit Taxiways (RET) for the main runway 07/ 25 merging with B- taxi track (beyond Critical portion of runway) and resurfacing between Taxiway-D and taxiway -M and associated works at Chennai Airport, Chennai.	66.18	24.08
4.		Reconstruction and strengthening of 'H' taxi track, 'E' taxi track for code 'E' aircraft operations, Construction of link taxi track from RET - M to 'H' taxi track in domestic apron, resurfacing of secondary runway and allied works at Chennai Airport, Chennai.	53.66	9.22
5.		Modification of Storm Water Drains in operational area at Chennai Airport.	209.01	0
6.	Coimbatore	Resurfacing of Runway at Coimbatore Airport.	49.80	0
7.	Madurai	Construction of New ATC Tower cum Technical Block including Repair & Maintenance, Operation and AICMC at Madurai Airport.	99.02	0
8.	Trichy	Upgradation of passenger Terminal Building and Air side facilities at Tiruchirappalli (Trichy) International Airport.	951.28	611.03
9.		Construction of Surface Car Parking and associated works at Tiruchirappalli Airport, Trichy. SH: Civil and Electrical works.	49.67	0
10.	Tuticorin	Development of Tuticorin Airport.	380.87	40.46