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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 705  
(To be answered on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022)**

**MODERNISATION OF AIRPORTS**

**705. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to expand and modernise airports of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof.
- (c) the details of the number of airports awarded by Airports Authority of India (AAI) to private players during each of the last three years; and
- (d) the details of the criteria for awarding airports to private players?

**ANSWER**

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

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(a) & (b): Expansion/ Modernisation of airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by Airports Authority of India (AAI) or 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 a capital outlay of more than Rs 90,000 crore from 2019-20 to 2024-25, for expansion and modification of existing Airport Terminals, constructing new Terminal Buildings, expansion or strengthening of existing runways, aprons, upgrading Airport Navigation Services (ANS), control towers, technical blocks etc. across several airports in the country.

(c): AAI has leased out six of its airports namely, Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport (Lucknow), Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport (Ahmedabad), Mangaluru International Airport, Jaipur International Airport, Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport (Guwahati) and Thiruvananthapuram International Airport through Public Private Partnership for operation, management and development on long term lease basis during the last three years.

(d): The criteria for selection of Private Partners for the above mentioned six airports was the Per Passenger Fee payable to AAI bid by Private Partners.

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