

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 888  
(To be answered on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022)**

**EXPANSION OF CHENNAI AIRPORT**

**888. SHRI KARTI P. CHIDAMBARAM**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**तागर विमानल मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) the current status of the master plan for the expansion of Chennai Airport;  
(b) whether the proposal for the second airport would adversely impact the expansion of the existing airport at Chennai and if so, the details thereof;  
(c) whether there are any plans to upgrade the facilities of the Chennai airport including beautification of the way to the airport like other world class airports, repair of broken chairs in the waiting area and streamlining the security checkpoints; and  
(d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

**तागर विमानल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री**

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(a) to (d): Upgradation/ Modernisation of airports, including Chennai airport, is a continuous process and is undertaken by Airports Authority of India (AAI) at its airports 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. Chennai airport is an International Airport and AAI has undertaken the work of modernization/ expansion of the airport including construction of a New Integrated Terminal Building at a cost of Rs 2467 crore. With this modernization/ expansion, the Chennai airport capacity will be augmented from 17 MPPA to 35 MPPA. The on-going development of Chennai airport does not depend on the proposal of second airport in Chennai.

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