

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
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(To be answered on the 25th July 2024)**

GREENFIELD AIRPORTS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) the details of the current status of the development of the Greenfield airports in Andhra Pradesh, including timelines for their completion and operationalization;**
(b) the details of total funds allocated and utilised for each of the Greenfield airport projects in Andhra Pradesh in the last three years, year-wise;
(c) whether the Government has faced any specific challenges in the land acquisition process for the Bhogapuram and Dagadarthi Greenfield airport projects and if so, the details thereof;
(d) the details of the measures taken to address these challenges; and
(e) the details of the projected economic impact of the Bhogapuram, Dagadarthi and Orvakal (Kurnool) Greenfield airports on the local economy and employment in Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

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(a) to (d): As per Greenfield Airports Policy, 2008, Government of India had granted 'In-Principle' approval for setting up of three Greenfield airports in State of Andhra Pradesh namely, Dagadarthi at a project cost of Rs. 293 crore, Bhogapuram at a project cost of Rs. 4727 crore and Oravakal (Kurnool) at a project of Rs.187 crore. Oravakal (Kurnool) Greenfield airport has become operationalized in March, 2021.

The responsibility of implementation of airport projects including funding of the projects, land acquisition, R&R etc., rests with the concerned airport developer including the respective State Government (in case the State Government is the project proponent). Moreover, timeline for completion of construction work depends on various factors such as land acquisition,

obtaining mandatory clearances etc. by the Project Proponent.

(e): Airports have emerged as a nucleus of economic activities and have multiplier effect on the economy of the State. 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.
