

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 2926  
(To be answered on the 12<sup>th</sup> December 2024)**

**CONSTRUCTION OF DHALBHUMGARH AIRPORT**

**2926. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO**

**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION**

**नागर विमानन मंत्री**

**be pleased to state:-**

- (a) the status of the construction and development of Dhalbhumgarh Airport and the time by which it is likely to be completed and operational;
- (b) the total estimated cost of the project along with the steps taken/being taken to ensure timely allocation of funds and resources for the completion of the said infrastructure; and
- (c) the manner in which the completion of Dhalbhumgarh Airport would improve air connectivity to Jamshedpur and surrounding regions and the details of the expected economic and developmental benefits for the local communities in Jharkhand?

**ANSWER**

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

**नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री**

**(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)**

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(a) to (c): For the development of Dhalbhumgarh Airport, the State Government of Jharkhand is yet to provide the requisite land which in turn requires forest and wildlife clearance. As per the National Civil Aviation Policy, 2016, it is the responsibility of the respective State Government, to provide land free of cost and free from all encumbrances for the development of the Airport.

The operationalisation of an airport significantly enhances air connectivity by linking the region to national and international destinations, boosting tourism, and supporting emergency services. It drives economic growth by creating direct and indirect employment opportunities and benefiting local industries. Local communities benefit from improved access to healthcare and education, increased tourism revenue and cultural exchange, fostering social and economic upliftment.

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