

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
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(To be answered on the 13th March 2025)**

DIGITAL ADVANCEMENTS FOR AIRPORTS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Digital advancements such as Facial Authentication Technology and Decentralized Digital Credentials have revolutionised the country's airport operations allowing travellers to move seamlessly from entry checks to boarding in a matter of minutes; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) & (b): Yes, digital advancements to revolutionize airport operations to provide seamless, hassle-free and faster passenger processing at various checkpoints have been implemented at the airports by introducing Digi Yatra, which uses Facial Authentication Technology. To provide proper data security in Digi Yatra, by design/default, there is no central storage of passenger's Personally Identifiable Information (PII) data. All the passenger data is encrypted and stored in the passenger's smartphone wallet and shared only for a limited time duration with the origin airport where passenger ID needs to be validated. The data is purged from the system within 24 hours of the departure of the flight. Presently, Digi Yatra is available at 24 airports.
