

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3270
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ECONOMY ZONE AT AIRPORTS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up economy zones in airports to minimize the higher costs of food and beverages available at airports;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the timeline fixed for the establishment of such economy zones in airports; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to incorporate State-run dairy companies like Mother Dairy, Aavin, AMUL and Nandini in the said economy zone of airports and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (c): The concept of 'Udan Yatri Cafe' has been started at Kolkata, Chennai and Ahmedabad airports as a new initiative to offer affordable meals to passengers.

The establishment of 'Udan Yatri Cafe' or similar low-cost outlets at other airports is at the discretion of the respective airport operators. Pricing for non-aeronautical services, including food and beverage offerings, is determined by airport operators and concessionaires based on market dynamics and commercial considerations, as these services are not regulated by the Government.

With regard to the inclusion of State-run dairy companies, airport operators are free to engage with such entities based on operational feasibility and commercial assessment.
