

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3217
(To be answered on the 7th August 2025)**

DEVELOPMENT OF CARGO AIRPORTS IN MADHYA PRADESH

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop cargo airports or air cargo terminals in Madhya Pradesh, especially in Dewas-Shajapur Lok Sabha Constituency and if so, the details of study conducted for the purpose thereof;
- (b) whether Dewas-Shajapur region has been considered for cargo air connectivity due to its industrial, agri-processing and pharmaceutical sectors and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, whether the Government is willing to assess the feasibility of setting up a cargo air terminal or upgrading an airstrip in Dewas-Shajapur belt under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) or PM Gati Shakti framework and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the measures being taken by the Government to strengthen air logistics infrastructure in tier-2 industrial corridors like those in central Madhya Pradesh, especially in Dewas-Shajapur region?

ANSWER

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(a) to (c) Presently, there are four Airports with air cargo facility in the State of Madhya Pradesh viz. Indore (dedicated cargo facility), Bhopal (dedicated cargo facility), Gwalior (through passenger terminal) & Jabalpur (through passenger terminal) Airports.

There is no proposal to set up a cargo airport in Dewas-Shajapur Constituency of Madhya Pradesh, as existing cargo operations at Bhopal and Indore cater to the Dewas-Shajapur region.

(d) The Government is enhancing air logistics infrastructure in Tier-2 industrial corridors by expanding dedicated cargo terminals and utilizing passenger terminals at smaller airports. To support the handling of high-value

and perishable goods, cold storage and temperature-controlled systems are being implemented. Measures such as reimbursement of Customs Cost Recovery Charges (CCRC) at Tier-II/III airports of AAI/AAICLAS Terminals are also provided to reduce operational costs of the airports/ cargo terminals.
