

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 843
(To be answered on the 24th July 2025)**

IMPACT OF THE 2ND ASIA PACIFIC MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE

843. SHRI SHASHANK MANI

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is true that the outcomes of the 2nd Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation will benefit India's economy and strengthen its position as a leading aviation hub in the Asia-Pacific region and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the outcomes of the said conference are expected to enhance regional air connectivity and trade partnerships within the Asia-Pacific region and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) The 2nd Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation was held on 11th - 12th September 2024 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. The Conference, through the Delhi Declaration, is expected to significantly benefit India's economy and aviation sector in multiple ways:

(i) The declaration emphasizes regional cooperation, which will enable better coordination among Asia-Pacific countries for developing aviation infrastructure more efficiently

(ii) It supports the implementation of ICAO's global plans for safety, air navigation, and aviation security, which will help India enhance its aviation safety standards and security measures

(iii) By positioning India as a key player in regional aviation cooperation, the outcome of the conference is expected to help in achieving greater regional connectivity and attract investments in Indian aviation industry, thereby strengthening India's status as a leading aviation hub in the region

(b) Yes, the Conference's outcomes is expected to have significant impact on regional air connectivity and trade partnerships within the Asia-Pacific

region. The specific outcomes, as outlined in the Delhi Declaration, include:

- (i) Reaffirmation of the Asia and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Civil Aviation (Beijing Declaration)**
- (ii) Commitments from APAC region members to implement ICAO Global Plans including the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP), Global Aviation Security Plan (GASeP), and Global Air Navigation Plan (GANP)**
- (iii) Agreement to invest resources in modernizing Air Navigation Services to support recovery and meet future air travel demands**
- (iv) Collaboration through ICAO and Regional platforms to improve the effective implementation of critical elements of State safety oversight system**
- (v) Commitment to sustainable funding for effective safety and security oversight**
- (vi) Focus areas including Aviation Safety, Air Navigation Services, Aviation Security, Facilitation, Gender Equality in Aviation, Aviation Environment Protection, and Ratification of International Air Law Treaties.**
