

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 3195

(TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18th December 2025)

DEVELOPMENT OF AIRPORTS IN TAMIL NADU

3195. THIRU THANGA TAMILSELVAN

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the total number of existing airports developed/proposed to be developed in Tamil Nadu during the last five years;
- (b) the total number of airports that are under expansion/proposed for expansion in Tamil Nadu, airport-wise;
- (c) the total funds allocated, disbursed and utilised for the development/expansion of airports in Tamil Nadu, airport-wise; and
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to construct/start new airports in Tamil Nadu, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (c): Tamil Nadu presently has six operational airports, namely Chennai, Madurai, Tiruchirappalli, Salem, Tuticorin, and Coimbatore. The Airports Authority of India (AAI) has undertaken various development and expansion works at the airports in Tamil Nadu which inter-alia includes modernisation and construction of additional Terminal Building at Chennai Airport, grading of the operational area on the south side of the runway at Madurai Airport, construction of a new Air Traffic Control (ATC) Tower-cum-Technical Block at Tiruchirappalli Airport, and construction of an operational boundary wall at Vellore Airport. The details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred towards major development and expansion works at airports in Tamil Nadu are placed in the Annexure.

(d): Government of India (GoI) has formulated a Greenfield Airports (GFA) Policy, 2008 for development of Greenfield airports in the country. As per this policy, GoI has accorded "In-Principle" approval for development of a greenfield airport at Parandur. An application for Site Clearance for the development of a greenfield airport at Hosur has been received in November, 2025, which is currently under consideration of this Ministry.;

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In addition, Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) launched Regional Connectivity Scheme - Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik (RCS-UDAN) on 21.10.2016 to enhance regional air connectivity from unserved and underserved airports in the country and make air travel affordable to the masses. In the state of Tamil Nadu, four airports, namely Salem, Vellore, Neyveli and

Tanjore have been identified for the development and operation of RCS flights under the Scheme, of which Salem airport has been operationalised.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3195 for 18.12.2025

Sl. No.	Airport	Project / Nature of Work	Approved Cost (A/A & E/S) (in Cr.)	Expenditure / Utilisation till Nov-2025 (in Cr.)
1	Chennai	Modernisation of Chennai Airport – Phase II	2467	1690.84
2		Storm Water Drain in operational area	146.19	34.97
3		Refurbishing of T1 & T4	81.8	9.27
4		RETs, taxi tracks & allied works	480.06	0
5	Coimbatore	Boundary wall for newly acquired land	51.31	0
6	Madurai	Grading of operational area & drainage works	17.17	15.59
7	Tiruchirappalli	New ATC Tower cum Technical Block	80.17	34.76
8	Vellore	Operational boundary wall	10.18	4.73
