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MODERNISATION OF AIRPORTS IN BIHAR

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

be pleased to state:-

- (a) the current status of airport modernisation projects in Bihar;
- (b) the details of airports, including Gopalganj, that are being upgraded or are planned for modernisation;
- (c) the expected completion timelines fixed for these modernisation projects;
- (d) the estimated cost and sources of funding for these projects; and
- (e) the manner in which these modernisation efforts are expected to improve passenger experience and operational efficiency?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Shri Murlidhar Mohol)

(a) to (d): Airports Authority of India (AAI) has undertaken the development of New Civil Enclave at Bihta Airport and construction of New Terminal Building & allied works at Darbhanga Airport at an estimated cost of Rs. 1413.00 crore & Rs. 911.66 crore respectively. AAI has also undertaken the construction of Apron, Taxiways and other associated works at Civil Enclave, Purnea at a cost of Rs. 43.55 crore. The timeline for completion of the airport projects depends upon many factors such as land acquisition, availability of mandatory clearances, financial closure etc.

The Sabeya (Gopalganj) airstrip in Bihar is listed in the UDAN document. Revival of unserved airstrips is undertaken under the UDAN scheme on their identification through valid bid for connectivity by airlines.

(e): The modernisation of airports is expected to enhance passenger experience through improved infrastructure and amenities, while also increasing operational efficiency by upgrading airside facilities, integrating advanced technologies, and enabling faster aircraft and passenger handling.
