

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 707
(To be answered on the 28th April 2016)**

AIR SAFETY NORMS

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether an audit of United Nations International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) in November last year has focused his Ministry attention towards airports under Ministry of Defence called civil enclaves, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the civil enclaves in the country do not meet the safety norms set by ICAO;
- (c) if so, whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has taken steps to improve civil enclaves and has taken up the matter with Ministry of Defence in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and response of the Defence Ministry thereto; and
- (e) the steps taken or being taken by Government to ensure that all airports including civil enclaves meet the safety norms set by ICAO?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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- (a) The ICAO audit team during the audit of India during 30th Nov -11th Dec 2015, raised observations regarding certification of military aerodromes serving schedule flight operations.
- (b) Civil enclaves are only part of the passenger facilities provided by Airports Authority of India (AAI) at a defense aerodrome. Certification of the aerodrome is required to be done for all the facilities used for the aircraft operations at an aerodrome maintained and operated by defence authorities.
- (c) & (d) The matter for certification of defence aerodromes used for scheduled flight operations was taken up with the defence authorities who have agreed for the certification of the defence aerodromes to comply with the audit findings.
- (e) In order to establish the regulatory framework, an amendment in rule 78 of the Aircraft Rules 1937 has been initiated to facilitate the certification of defence aerodromes to address the ICAO audit observation.
