

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5368
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RADAR SYSTEM USED BY AAI
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware about use of secondary radars by Airports Authority of India (AAI);
- (b) if so, whether Indian Air Force had suggested to AAI to use primary radars;
- (c) if so, the reasons for delay in acquiring primary radars; and
- (d) the steps taken or being taken by AAI to acquire primary radars for ensuring air safety at the earliest?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Yes, Sir. However, Airports Authority of India (AAI) do not have any requirement of primary radars for Air Traffic Control purposes for civil operations. As such AAI has no plan to provide primary radars.

(d): Secondary radars installed by AAI are sufficient to ensure safety of air operations as required by International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).