

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:104
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FINANCIAL CONDITION OF AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Airports which earned profits or incurred losses during April 1, 2001 to March 31, 2003, separately, year-wise;
- (b) the amount of profit/loss earned by each airport during the said period;
- (c) the reasons for incurring losses alongwith the steps taken by the Government to make these airports profitable;
- (d) whether the Government propose to handover the loss-incurring airports to the concerned State; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a), (b), (c), (d) & (e) :- A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement in reply to parts (a), (b), (c), (d) & (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.104 for answer on 28.7.2003 regarding Financial Condition of Airports.

(a) & (b) During the years 2001-02 and 2002-03 the airports at Delhi, Mumbai, Juhu, Pune, Chennai, Kolkata Hyderabad, Goa and Bangalore earned profits of Rs.703.49 crores and Rs.657.00 crores respectively. The airports earning profit during 2002-03 includes Calicut also.

During the years 2001-02 and 2002-03, seventy-one operational airports incurred a loss of Rs.224.44 crores and Rs.273.66 crores respectively. The amount of year 2001-02 in addition includes Calicut airport also. There are 42 non-operational airports which incurred a loss of Rs.2.07 crores and Rs.2.09 crores for the years 2001-02 and 2002-03 respectively on account of their maintenance.

(c) The major reason for incurring consistent losses is the very low volume of traffic at these airports. Airports Authority of India is taking steps to increase the Non-Aeronautical Revenue at these airports to the extent possible and also to reduce the controllable expenditure.

(d) & (e) There is no such proposal at present as Airports Authority of India is technically and operationally better equipped than State Governments to provide infrastructural services.