

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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UPGRADATION OF BAGDOGRA AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have taken initiative to develop and upgrade the Bagdogra Airport as an International Airport;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the investment made; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to complete the project?

Answer

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

(a):- Airports Authority of India has constructed a new Civil Air Terminal Complex at Bagdogra Airport and an approach road. The new terminal building is capable of handling limited international flights.

(b):- The terminal building can accommodate 250 arriving and 250 departing passengers at a time. Counters for Customs and Immigration facilities have also been provided. The above facilities were constructed at a cost of Rs.16.51 crores.

(c):- There are also plans to expand the apron to increase the aircraft parking capacity at a cost of Rs.5 crores. The development and upgradation of airport is a continuous process depending upon the traffic requirements.