

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:262
ANSWERED ON:11.08.2005
PASSENGER AND CARGO TRAFFIC AT AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether most of the airports in the country are underutilised;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the actual passenger and cargo traffic handled by each airport during each of the last three years; and
- (d) the steps proposed to be taken by Government for optimum utilisation of these airports?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a), (b), (c) & (d) OF THE LOK SABHA QUESTION NO.262 FOR 11.8.2005 REGARDING PASSENGER AND CARGO TRAFFIC AT AIRPORTS.

(a) & (b): Airport infrastructure is continuously upgraded keeping in view the future traffic demand. As building / upgrading airport infrastructure is a time-taking process, some excess capacity in airport is generally inbuilt as the desirable object is to meet the increasing traffic demand before the next stage of expansion/addition of the capacity. The high growth in traffic in recent years have, infact, created conditions of inadequate capacity at some airports. Several airports in the Country are not optimally utilised due to number of factors such as insufficient traffic etc.

c) Total passenger and cargo traffic handled at top 45 airports (handling 99% of the total traffic) during each of the last three years from 2002-03 to 2004-05 is given at Annexure.

(d) Utilisation of airports depend on endogenous as well as exogenous factors. Efforts have been made to encourage small and regional airlines to operate to smaller airports so that their utilization increases. Concessions / reductions in airport charges have also been made to encourage these operations.

Annexure

DETAILS OF ACTUAL PASSENGER AND CARGO TRAFFIC (IN METRIC TONNES) HANDLED BY EACH AIRPORT DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS

S.No Airport 2004-05 2003-04 2002-03

Passenger Cargo Passenger Cargo Passenger Cargo

1. Mumbai 15665777 402715 13284445 326477 12260284 307605

2. Delhi 12782979 344501 10394164 295807 9096548 276042

3. Chennai 5633926 185870 455821 154123 4161346 136660

4. Bangalore 4113383 112374 3181248 91489 2764283 83028

5. Kolkata 3494564 69628 3090853 62272 2826794 58260

6. Hyderabad 2845029 34007 2211766 27753 1910189 20728

7 Cochin 1596126 22175 1332601 15961 818018 10696

8. Ahmedabad 1289747 16992 976687 13153 839918 3474

9. Goa 1265410 4856 987681 3486 1014287 25362

10. Trivandrum 1160151 23655 1073582 26260 508719 4749

11. Calicut 827861 10589 655597 7600 178037 392

12. Punc 600949 8791 466295 7379 1010286 10802

13. Guwahati 598932 4310 541233 4376 629561 7787

14. Lucknow 453345 2588 384393 2107 410136 5326

15. Coimbatore 391175 4685 279324 4615 318656 2202

16. Srinagar 389493 12172 264335 1679 258964 3464

17. Jaipur 380251 1771 299824 1429 229915 1413

18. Vadodara 361894 3265 312447 2079 289934 1326

19. Amritsar 347911 1312 225292 1126 361302 1826

20. Nagpur 277830 2780 230806 2099 229205 1445

21. Indore 269625 2925 226915 2031 195072 1461

22. Mangalore 268424 233 225990 188 199723 243

23. Jammu 262316 944 216769 675 174572 588

24. Varanasi 253011 627 200152 660 151384 553

25. Agartala 230328 2868 209600 2017 206991 2344

26. Udaipur 217018 2 179358 9 153678 24

27. Bhubaneswar 205230 945 174956 696 136044 627

28. Visakhapatnam 200036 670 155113 685 155771 804

29. Port Blair 193785 1736 194333 1363 160444 1099

30. Patna 176234 1035 159683 1184 162800 1187

31. Bagdogra 172619 420 147545 355 130128 400

32. Trichurapalli 167991 332 122397 199 94057 256

33. Madurai 158424 429 123161 405 99872 271

34. Rajkot 158172 1031 126615 737 121553 609

35. Leh 141000 827 133165 790 111128 779

36. Juhu 134821 395 130108 409 218144 475

37. Aurangabad 133199 1064 110383 880 104912 813

38. Imphal 129103 1517 123960 1167 127525 834

39. Bhopal 127510 323 113675 251 87784 251

40. Chandigarh 105846 440 76053 180 50064 98

41. Jodhpur 104609 74 91107 90 76404 109

42. Dibrugarh 95678 503 78387 490 82179 545

43. Raipur 95257 865 75948 485 55058 333

44. Silchar 90509 247 86860 284 77558 407

45. Ranchi 79698 237 66955 200 68838 203