

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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USE OF DEFENCE AIRFIELDS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether some of the Defence airfields are being used for civil flights;
- (b) if so, the reasons for allowing the use of defence airfields for civil flights; and
- (c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to stop the use of these airfields for civil flights?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Use of defence airfields are permitted by the Government on the specific requests of the civilian airlines keeping in view non-availability of the civil airfields.
- (c) There is no proposal to stop the use of these defence airfields for civilian use.