

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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ASSESSMENT FOR MODERNISATION/ MAINTENANCE OF AIRPORTS .

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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether any fresh assessment has been made regarding the modernization and maintenance needs required at various airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken/being taken in this direction by the Government; and

(d) the details of major additional facilities proposed to be created at the international airports to make them more customer friendly and safe?

**Answer**

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

(a), (b) & (c) Modernisation and maintenance of infrastructure facilities at the airports managed by Airports Authority of India (AAI) is a continuous process which is assessed and taken up from time to time depending on traffic requirement and availability of resources, land etc.

(d) Major additional facilities proposed to be provided at international airports inter-alia include increased terminal capacity, additional conveyor belts, additional check-in immigration and customs counters, introduction of Common User Terminal Equipment (CUTE) system, check-in counters and in-line baggage system with check-in baggage conveyor belt, additional X-ray baggage inspection system and additional baggage trolleys. Besides, AAI has also initiated action to provide additional passenger boarding bridges, escalators, elevators etc.