

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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UTILISATION OF AMRITSAR AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether International Airport at Amritsar is underutilised;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps being taken to utilise the International Airport to its full capacity?

Answer

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

(a), (b) & (c) The services being provided by Airports Authority of India (AAI) at Amritsar airport are commensurate with the number of air services at Amritsar Airport. However, optimum utilization of an airport is dependant upon the air services being operated by various airlines at an airport. Airlines plan their flights based on traffic requirements and commercial viability subject to route dispersal guidelines.