

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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MADURAI AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government proposes to develop Madurai airport into an international airport ;
- (b) If so, the details and the present position thereof; and
- (c) The time by which it is likely to be upgraded as an international airport ?

Answer

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

(a),(b) & (c) At present, there is no proposal to declare Madurai airport as an International airport. However, Airports Authority of India (AAI) has taken up various upgradation/ development works like construction of a new integrated passenger terminal building which will have Customs, Immigration, Health, Plant quarantine facilities etc. at Madurai airport for handling limited international flights.