

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CIVIL AVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:27  
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MODERNISATION OF NON METRO AIRPORTS  
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government has finalised the action plan to modernise non-metro airports in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and names of the airports to be modernised;
- (c) whether the Government has decided to upgrade all of these non-metro airports to international standard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the financial allocation made for the purpose?

**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 part (a), (b), (c) & (d) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 27 for 02/12/2004 regarding Modernisation of Non-Metro Airports.

(a) & (b) Airports Authority of India has proposed to modernize twenty five (25) non-metro airports in phases with focus on airside and city side development and enhancement of non-aeronautical revenues. In the first phase, approximately ten(10) airports would be taken up in hand and the remaining in the second phase. The selection of airports will be made keeping in view their commercial and traffic growth potential.

(c) & (d) Airports Authority of India (AAI) has decided to upgrade these airports to world class standards through the process of modernisation. AAI is in the process of appointing Indian Financial Consultant (IFC) and Global Technical Advisor (GTA) who will assist AAI in conducting techno-economic feasibility study of identified airport to evolve an appropriate model based on viability of the project.