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title: Need to extend the run-way of the proposed Kannur International Airport to 4000 metres.

SHRIMATI P.K. SHREEMATHI TEACHER (KANNUR): Kannur International Airport is the fourth airport in Kerala, which was envisaged as a hub Airport with a runway of 4000 mtrs. Now the work at Kannur International Airport is going on in full swing but the runway has been reduced to 3050 mtrs. Due to public pressure, the government is now proposing to extend the length of the runway to 3400 meters but 4000 mtrs.runway is essential for a hub Airport.

Suitable land required for extending the runway is available in the premises of the proposed Airport. Kannur is a centre of international trade and commerce. Large numbers of North Keralaites and persons of adjacent districts of Karnataka state are working in foreign countries especially in Gulf countries. It will be beneficial to persons of this area if the Airport is developed as a Hub Airport.

Hence, I urge the Government to give directions to the authorities concerned to extend the length of runway to 4000 mtrs.