## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.: 3003 (To be answered on the 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019)

## UPGRADATION OF BAGDOGRA AIRPORT

3003. SHRI RAJU BISTA

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION नागर विमानन मंत्री

be pleased to state:-

(a) whether a proposal to upgrade the Bagdogra Airport into international airport is under consideration of the Government and if so, the details and the present status thereof; and

(b) the extent of progress made so far in the work of modernization of Bagdogra Airport?

## ANSWER

Minister of State (IC) in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

नागर विमानन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार )

(Shri Hardeep Singh Puri)

(a) and (b): Bagdogra Airport belongs to Indian Air Force (IAF) and Airports Authority of India (AAI) maintains a Civil Enclave. Development/Modernization of airports is a continuous process which is undertaken by AAI based on the operational demand, traffic projections, availability of land etc. AAI has undertaken the modification of existing terminal building at Bagdogra Airport by extending Security Hold area by 820 sqm and so far, 50% work has been completed. Further, AAI has projected a land requirement of 104.65 acres to the State Government of West Bengal for development of new Civil Enclave at Bagdogra.