

to 4%. Government of Maharashtra has also reduced sales tax on ATF from 25% to 4% for flights originating from airports other than Pune and Mumbai.

(3) The Oil Companies have also staggered the settlement of outstanding dues of Airline Companies over six months. Oil Companies have also extended the credit period.

(4) With the fall in global crude prices, the Oil Companies have been reducing ATF prices since September, 2008 and the prices are being revised fortnightly instead of monthly.

Medical centres at airport terminals

1578.MS. MABEL REBELLO :

SHRI B.J. PANDA :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to set up medical centres at airport terminals in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, *inter-alia* indicating such medical facilities that are proposed to be set up at the Airports in Orissa and Jharkhand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) For emergency treatment and first aid, the airports have medical inspection rooms. These facilities are maintained either by the airports themselves or by reputed local nursing homes/hospitals or by the concerned State Governments.

At Ranchi Airport (Jharkhand), the medical facilities are provided by the State Government whereas that at Bhubneshwar Airport (Orissa) is being arranged through local hospitals/nursing homes. Bhubneshwar Airport is presently having first-aid facilities.

Terminal building works at non-metro airports

1579.DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to hand over terminal building works of the country's non-metro airports to the public-private partnership;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Airports Authority of India (AAI) have been ignored in allocating the task of non-metro airport terminal work;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the corrective steps Government proposes to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (d) The development of Terminal Building at all the non-metro airports is being undertaken by the Airports Authority of India.

(e) Does not arise.