

(b) if so, whether any study has been made to find out the problems being faced by the passengers at this airport; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and remedial measures being taken?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) No, Sir. Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA), New Delhi is equipped with world class facilities to cater to the needs of passengers and have been provided 264 check-in counters (168 in T3 and 96 in T1D), self check-in Kiosks and 95 immigration counters.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

#### **Considering Bhubaneswar airport as international airport**

1725. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state whether Government of India is considering to declare Bhubaneswar airport as the international airport and also taking steps for the development of Jharsuguda airport?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : No proposal for declaration of Bhubaneswar airport as an international airport is under consideration in this Ministry.

Jharsuguda Airport is having a runway strip  $1882 \times 45$  m, but is not fit for commercial operations. The development and operationalization of Jharsuguda airport by the AAI in phased manner, is subject to handing over of the requisite land to AAI by the State Government.

Land requirement of 191 acres, initially for ATR 72-500 type of aircrafts operations (out of total additional land requirement of 412.5 acres) has been projected to State Government.

#### **Cancellation of flights at short notice**

1726. SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that various airlines have found to have cancelled flights at short notice;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government is taking steps to prevent such incidents;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?